THE WEATHER.

Cloudiness today with brisk to high northeast winds; rain at night, and Thursday colder in the west.

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JURY COMPLETED TO TRY PACKERS

District Attorney's Opening Statement Was Begun Yesterday.

A MOMENTOUS LEGAL BATTLE

Chicago Packers Represent Most Powerful System for Suppressing Competition — Trial Will Last Several Months

Chicago, Dec. 19.—The jury which is to try the ten Chicago packers who are charged with violation of the criminal provisions of the Sherman anti-trust law, was completed today and the opening statement of the United States District Attorney James H. Wilkerson was begun.

In outlining the case Mr. Wilkerson in a speech replete with bitter invective declared that the defendants, through the National Packing Company, had continued the old pooling practices of the packers and had actually put into effect the most powerful engine for the suppression of competition ever devised in the industrial world. Judge Carpenter had scarcely ceased directing the summoning of a new panel of veniremen, when counsel for the indicted packers declared they were satisfied with the twelve men in the box. The government attorneys also were content and before the noon adjournment the oath was administered to the jury and the decks were cleared for the actual beginning of the legal battle which is looked upon as one of the most momentous of the many in which the Federal power has clashed with corporations. When Mr. Wilkerson began his opening address all the defendants were in the court room and each listened intently as step by step the theory of the prosecution and the facts on which it is based were presented.

Tracing the history of the meat industry in its relation to the men under indictment and going into great detail in his description of various phases of the deeds which he declared marked a conspiracy to violate the law of the land, Mr. Wilkerson laid special emphasis on the foreign points:

"That the combination represented by the ten Chicago meat packers, under indictment, is the most powerful engineered system for the suppression of competition and the fixing of prices ever known in the history of the industrial world. That the sysem is so ingeniously devised and so closely guarded that the men in the lower grades of employment are made to believe that the corporations in the combination are actual competitors.

"That the indicted packers, or their predecessors have dominated the meat industry of the country and fixed prices since 1880.

"That the real purpose and design of the National Packing Company which was organized by members of the combination March 18th, 1903, is to continue the work 'accomplished by the old pool.'

"That the key to the system is the uniform method used by the members in figuring the test cost of the product.

"That this test cost, arrived at by adding the killing charge to the price of cattle on the hoof and deducting allowances for hide and fat, is in excess of the real cost and gives the packers a larger margin of profit than their own figures indicate.

"That the country was divided under the old pooling system into different divisions and each member of the pool allotted a certain percentage of the business and that a similar system is still in existence.

"That a system of forfeits was paid to members who failed to get their percentage of the business of the different divisions and these forfeits were in the nature of fines on those members who exceeded their allotment.

"That formerly the representatives of the combination met every Tuesday in the office of a Chicago lawyer and fixed the prices of meat.

"That since the organization of the National Packing Company the directors of that organization hold meetings at which the price of product is fixed.

"That a specially devised code of trade terms was used at these meetings where prices were made.

"'The vidence which will be presented,' said Mr. Wilkerson, 'will show that no other conclusion can be reached than that the National Packing Company was used for the purpose of continuing the operations of the old pool and for that alone.'"

Mr. Wilkerson ridiculed the claim which he anticipated the defense would make that the National Packing Company was an outgrowth of an attempt to organize a "benevolent monopoly."

The District Attorney had not concluded when court adjourned for the day. He is expected to finish tomorrow morning. When he concludes the first government witness will take the stand.

Counsel for the defense will reserve their statement until the conclusion of the government's evidence. The trial is expected to last four or five months.

The ten defendants are: J. Odgen Armour, president of Armour & Company; Louis F. Swift, president of Swift & Company; Edward F. Smith, vice president of Swift & Company; Charles H. Swift, director of Swift & Company; Edward W. Tilden, president of the National Packing Company; Edward Morris, president of Morris & Company; Arthur W. Meeker, director of Armour & Company; Francis A. Fowler, director of Swift & Company; Thomas J. Conners, superintendent of Armour & Company; Louis H. Heyman, manager of Morris & Company.

Slumber Slippers.

Felt Slippers, Tourist Slippers, for Christmas presents at Peterson & Rulfs. 2t.

Amelia was the name of doll at Polvogt's. **

PRESIDENT WAS NOT ESCORTED

Went Through Streets of New York Without Usual Police Guards—No Reason Given for Doing This—Violates the Custom.

New York, Dec. 19.—The President of the United States traveled through New York's streets tonight without a police escort, such as has been customarily assigned for his protection during his visits here. Just what caused the omission of the usual provisions to safeguard the nation's head had not been officially developed up to a late hour tonight.

The fact remained, however, that when President Taft arrived at 6:35 tonight at the Pennsylvania terminal on a two-day visit to this city, not a blue-coated employee of the city was in sight. The Presidential party was forced to make its way to a waiting automobile, separated from the crowd only by ten colored porters whom the station master had hastily pressed into service.

Unescorted, the President went to the home of his brother, Henry W. Taft, on West Forty-Eighth street.

There the first sight of police officials detailed for duty was all they had.

The detachment was made up of three bicycle policemen. On his former visits ten policemen were assigned to travel with him and ten patrolmen to handle the crowd at the railway station. The three bicycle policemen accompanied the President on his drive to the Economic Club dinner at the Hotel Astor, where he was to deliver an address, and later escorted him to Brooklyn to attend the New England Society dinner at the Academy of Music and the Brooklyn Young Republican Club dinner.

L. C. Wheeler, a member of the secret service force, made the usual request this morning for an escort for the President, nd it was stated tonight, however, that Police Commissioner Waldo, when asked for the escort, replied that, in his opinion, no greater guard was needed for the protection here of the President than for the mayor of the city, and that no greater one would be furnished on this occasion. He considered the President no better than the mayor, the commissioner was reported as having declared.

THE BRIBERY CHARGE

Detective Franklin Confronted at the Hearing by Woman Bribed

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 19.—Bert H. Franklin, the detective accused of having bribed a sworn juror in the trial of the confessed dynamiter, James B. McNamara, was confronted today at his preliminary hearing by Mrs. Dora Bain. She had told the District Attorney that she had accepted $500 of a $4,000 fund promised on condition that she would influence her husband, Robert F. Bain, a sworn juror.

Mrs. Bain's statement followed Franklin's arrest on a charge of having attempted to bribe George N. Lockwood, a prospective juror.

Mrs. Bain's testimony was taken after a proffer made by Franklin's counsel, former Governor Henry T. Gage, to admit her story by stipulation, had been declined by the State.

A county warrant for $50,000 was drawn today in favor of William J Burns. This is the first of the rewards to be paid for the capture and conviction of the McNamara brothers. As far as the county is concerned, according to District Attorney Fredericks, no other rewards will be paid.

FILES ANSWER

To Government Suit to Dissolve the Plumbing Trust.

Los Angeles, Dec. 19.—An answer to the government suit to dissolve the so-called plumbing trust was filed in the United States District Court today by former United States Senator Frank Flint, attorney for the National Committee of the Federated Supply Association. The answer admits that the defendants published a "blue book," but denies it was for the purpose of aiding a boycott of independents.

Flint said the action was friendly on both sides. He added that the books of the organization had been submitted to the Federal grand jury and full investigation of its affairs invited by the members when the inquiry was instituted.

"We have no desire to violate the law," said Mr. Flint, "and we want to be enjoined from any act which may be construed as an infraction."

Winchester, Va., Dec. 19.—A social sensation was created here today when the grand jury returned an indictment against Postmaster John G. White, a leading Republican politician, and one of the wealthiest men of the town, charging him with cruelly beating his daughter Mary, aged 19 years. The girl has left home. The trial will be held in April.

ABROGATION WON'T AFFECT COMMERCE

Commercial Relations Between This Country and Russia Will Continue.

OPINION OF SENATOR SMITH

Russian Government Turns Attention to Forming New Treaty—Accepted Notification With Equitable Spirit.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Commercial relations between the United States and Russia will not be affected as a result of the abrogation of the treaty of 1832 in the opinion of Senator William Alden Smith, of Michigan, because the favored nation clause of that treaty has been swept aside by the operation of the maximum and minimum clause of the Payne tariff law carried into effect by the President's proclamation of July 18, 1910.

The Senator's view was discussed widely at the capitol today as a feature hitherto lost sight of in consideration of the annulment of the pact.

After a careful examination of the tariff of 1909," said Senator Smith, "I am positive that the second section, known as the maximum and minimum clause, has so far as proclamations have been issued thereon, superceded the favored nation clauses in the Russian treaty and that our commercial relations with Russia will continue unimpaired so long as no change is made in that regulation.

"By formal proclamation issued by President Taft on July 18th, 1910, the Russian government was given the minimum duties under the Payne-Aldrich law. This will remain the law of the land and the proclamation insures to Russia every consideration that it could possibly have under the treaty of 1832 to remain in force so far as her commercial relations with the United States are concerned.

"Therefore, the more specific course of the foreign relations committee of the Senate will accomplish the humane end sought by the most ardent advocates of abrogation."

Senator Smith is a member of the foreign relations committee of the Senate, and for many years was a member of the foreign affairs of the House. He stated his contention on the floor of the Senate in replying to Senator Heyburn, who deplored the possible breaking of commercial relations between the two countries.

Russia Wants New Treaty.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 19.—Having accepted in an equitable spirit the notification of the American Ambassador that the treaty of commerce and navigation entered into by the United States and Russia in 1832 would be abrogated on January, 1913, officials of the Russian government are now directing their attention to the question of a new treaty. It is recognized that diplomacy of the most experienced kind will be required especially on the American side if negotiations for a new treaty are to proceed satisfactorily. Agitation in the United States over the passport question and the brief term available for diplomatic action present difficulties to the full and free discussion of the subject.

It is pointed out by Russian officials that the government's hands are tied by statutes which cannot be changed outside of the legislative machinery of the Douma and the counsel of the empire as instituted in 1906. The whole question in their opinion seems to be dominated by a misunderstanding of the treaty of 1832, which makes no reference to passports. Article I, of this treaty provides for the free entry of all American citizens on the sole condition that they observe the internal laws of the empire. This stipulation is reproduced in all treaties with other powers. Therefore, there has been no question of infringement of the treaty, but actually one of modification of the internal statutes, which can be done only by legislative means.

Further, it is argued, if a passport statute had been originally enacted, or if the question of passports were merely one of relations between the United States and Russia, this question might be a matter for diplomatic negotiation. But the Russian statutes having reference to the Jews do not concern American Jews, but all foreign Jews. A concession to the United States would mean a concession to all other countries having Jewish subjects. Russia, say the officials, has no wish for a bargain, and they ask, "what can America concede to Russia for the abolition of Jewish legislation?"

In responsible quarters the opinion is expressed that the political situation in Russia proper is not favorable to the realization of Jewish hopes. It is likely that Premier Kokovsoff personally sees no harm in concessions to foreign Jews and a milder policy at home with respect to that race, but other elements in the Russian government are differently disposed.

This is true in particular of the Douma and the counsel of the empire, which have solid majorities against any weakening of Russia's attitude. Indeed, Russia herself faces legislative elections which will be held in 1913 and the dominant battle cry is one of nationalism.

In parliamentary circles here the prevailing comment is characterized by astonishment that the American government has responded so readily

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JOHN BIGELOW, AUTHOR, DEAD

Was Well Known in Public Life—Famous as Member of Bar, Author, and Diplomat—Was 95 Years Old.

New York, Dec. 19.—Funeral arrangements for John Bigelow, the veteran diplomat and author who died at his home here today in his 95th year, were practically completed tonight. The services will be held at St. George's Episcopal church in this city Friday morning at 9:30 o'clock. The body will be taken to Highland Falls where the burial will take place in the family plot at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon. Bigelow will be buried beside his wife who died nearly 30 years ago. The selection of pall-bearers will probably be announced tomorrow.

Mr. Bigelow three days ago suffered a return of an ailment incident to advanced age which laid him low last June at his Summer home in Highland Falls. For more than two days he suffered intense pain, but eight or ten hours before death there came a partial paralysis of the senses and for several hours he lay smiling at those about him, but unable to speak.

John Bigelow was equally well-known in public life and in letters. He was born in Malden, Ulster county, New York, November 25th, 1817.

Mr. Bigelow was admitted to the bar in 1839 and interesting himself in politics, he became inspector of Sing Sing Prison, 1845-46. In 1849 he obtained an interest in the New York Evening Post, associating himself in his editorial duties with William Cullen Bryant. He relinquished his editorial work in 1861 to become United States Consul at Paris, stepping from that position in 1864 to become minister to France in which he continued until 1867. Returning to New York he entered politics and in 1875 became chairman of Governor Tilden's canal investigating committee, becoming Secretary of State of New York the same year and continuing as such for two years.

Mr. Bigelow was executor and trustee of the late Samuel J. Tilden president of the board of trustees of the New York public library; trustee of the Metropolitan Museum of Art; president of the Tilden trust; president of the Century Association; honorary corresponding member of the New York Historical Society; Massachusetts Historical Society, and Maryland Historical Society and member of the American Academy of Arts and Letters.

He was the author of many historical, biographical, sociological and economic works, of which "restrospection of an active life," was the latest.

Mr. Bigelow received the degree of doctor of laws from Union and Racine colleges in 1866 and from New York University in 1899.

A YOUTHFUL DEFENDANT

Furteen-Year-Old Girl Faces Trial for Woman's Injuries

New York, Dec. 19.—Fourteen-year-old Ruth Kingsley, daughter of Darwin P. Kingsley, president of the New York Life Insurance Company is defendant in a suit for $20,000 damages which went to trial in the Supreme Court here today. The plaintiff is Teresa Hankinson, formerly a domestic in the Kingsley household.

She charges that while she was at work in the Kingsley home, the little girl caused her to fall and estimates her injuries at the figures named. A general denial is offered in behalf of the youthful defendant.

NEW OFFICIALS.

Borton Baseball Club Will be in New Officials' Hands.

Boston, Dec. 19.—The Boston National League Baseball Club passed officially into new hands today and during the coming season James E. Gaffney, of New York, and John M. Ward, the famous pitcher of the New York team 20 years ago, will direct its affairs. They hope to take the team out of last place, the position it has occupied for several years. The reorganization was effected through the purchase by Gaffney and Ward of the stock of the late William Hepburn Russell, Mr. Ward was elected president of the club and Mr. Gaffney treasurer.

OUTLINES.

The jury which is to try the ten indicted Chicago meat packers has been completed and the District Attorney's opening statement was begun yesterday. It is thought that the trial will yet consume several months' time——The Senate yesterday ratified President Taft's notification to Russia of the termination of the treaty with that country. The ratification was by a unanimous vote——It is stated that Gifford Pinchot will reliver an address at Medio, Ohio, Friday announcing that Roosevelt will not be a candidate next year for the Presidential nomination——Witnesses testifying before the Federal grand jury investigating the dynamite explosions yesterday told of finding dynamite near their homes and of children skating on floors wuere nitro-glycerine had been spilled.

New York markets: Spot cotton closed quiet. Flour firm, with fair trade. Wheat, spot easy; No. 2 red 97 elevator, export basis, and 99 1-4 f.o.b. afloat. Corn, barely steady, export new 70 to 70 5-8 f.o.b. afloat. Rosin and turpentine steady.

We have the largest line of Xmas Cakes in the city. Fruit Cake, "Home Made." Pound Cake, Citron Cake, Sally White Cake. Call at our Bakery and look for yourself. Farris Bakery, 121 South Front. de 18-6t.

WITNESSES TELL OF HORRID FINDS

Children Skated Over Floors Where Nitro-Glycerine Had Been Spilled.

THE DYNAMITE INVESTIGATION

People Were Living Near Enough Dynamite to Blow Up Neighborhood. Record of Another Day's Investigation.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 19.—People who for weeks unknowingly lived near enough dynamite to blow up the neighborhood, and whose children skated over the floors of a vacant house in which nitroglycerine had been spilled, testified in the government's investigation of the dynamite conspiracy before the Federal grand jury today.

Witnesses from Muncie, Ind., were questioned concerning what they knew of the renting of a house in Muncie to Ortie McManigal in December, 1909. After paying rent for several months in advance McManigal stored it with boxes and saw dust in which he packed nitro-glycerine. The fact that the rent had been paid and the house always in darkness, was visited periodically by a stranger, created an element of mystery, which still was unsolved when after the place, again deserted, was thrown open and school children skated over the floors upon which appeared grease spots. Later it was found the spots were caused by nitro-glycerine and experts were called to destroy their explosive power. Among the witnesses from Muncie were Mrs. Elizabeth Hyner, Isaac Grant and a manufacturer who sold boxes to McManigal. The evidence was traced by the investigators not only to confirm McManigal's confession, which implicates John J. McNamara and James B. McNamara, but also to bring out who, if any, assisted them.

Other expressions of horror at discovering they had been living near explosives came from members of the family of D. Jones, a farmer, near Indianapolis. For a long time prior to his arrest on April 22, 1911, J. J. McNamara, secretary treasurer of the International Association of Bridge & Structural Iron Workers, on the pretext that he was storing old records, kept in Jones' barn a piano box filled with dynamite from which McManigal replenished his supply when going on dynamiting expeditions. The piano box still had 25 pounds of dynamite in it when Jones, digging on his farm, was apprised of the fact by detectives who visited the place the day John J. was arrested.

It was learned that these witnesses willingly told of the representations under which they rented their places and what persons paid them money.

So far as the Iron Workers' Association is concerned, no opposition hereafter will be made against the removal of books and papers taken from their headquarters from one jurisdiction to another.

This was announced today when an attorney for the iron workers withdrew an appeal to the Indiana Supreme Court, from an order of the county court to turn the records over to the Federal authorities. Although action on the motion to dismiss the appeal will not be taken until after January 2nd, it is understood the records, including books and correspondence of John J. McNamara, may now be carried between any Federal or county jurisdiction without opposition.

Sudden End of Session.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 19.—The Federal grand jury which is investigating the Western angle of the alleged Nation-wide dynamiting conspiracy today was in session not more than half an hour. The sudden ending of the session came after Oscar Lawler, special government investigator, had received a telegram in code. He declined to discuss the subject, but the adjournment immediately followed. Then Lawler and McLaren, a detective, hurried to Lawler's private office.

There Samuel Brown, chief of the county district attorney's detective bureau, joined them and soon all three left the Federal building accompanied by Laury Sullivan, formerly a detective for the McNamara defense.

Many witnesses were about the Federal building expecting to be called, among them Olaf A. Tvietmore and Erie V. Morton, union leaders of San Francisco.

FAILED TO CAPTURE.

General Reyes is Still at Large in Mexico.

Monterey, Mexico, Dec. 19.—A large force of State and Federal troops under Col. Garcia Lugo are riding in the hills in the vicinity of Linares, Neuva Leon, in an effort to capture Gen. Bernardo Reyes, who with four followers, crossed the line into Mexico on December 15th, and is attempting to recruit an army in that State. Reports received here from the army officers indicate that they failed to capture the general. Mexican authorities are confident of the early apprehension of Reyes and his followers.

"Thrilling Story of Moonshining"

Scenes laid in the Kentucky hills, a drama of the illicit traffic in liquor. First presentation of Essanay photoplay at The Grand Theatre today. **

WABASH RAILROAD COMPANY

Three Appointees Accept Receivership—Announce That There Will be no Changes in Service. A Committee.

St. Louis, Dec. 19.—Frederick A. Delano and Edward B. Pryor, two of the receivers appointed yesterday for the Wabash Railroad Company, arrived in St. Louis late today from New York and prepared tonight to confer with W. K. Bixby, the other receiver, who during the day indicated his willingness to accept appointment. It was thought possible the receivers would go before Judge Elber B. Adams, in the United States Circiut Court tomorrow. At the Wabash general offices Mr. Delano issued a signed statement saying that no change in the service was contemplated.

The decision to apply for a receiver was entirely unexpected to me, at the same time, as president of the company, I have endeavored to keep the stockholders fully advised of the condition of the company.

"The Wabash Company has been seriously handicapped ever since the reorganization of 1889, which re-organization provided no funds for improvement or development work. This made it impossible for the company to keep abreast of the requirements as to successfully compete with its aggressiver and richer rivals. Disappointing results, with investments in Wabash Pittsburg terminal and committents in that connection as well as the litigation growing out of these transactions all helped to deprive the company of credit and the ability to continue in business.

"If the courts of the various districts confirm my appointment as receiver, it will be my earnest endeavor in co-operation with the other receivers, to put the company in a position as speedily as possible, to pay all its debts and return the property to the stockholders. I cannot believe the public will blame the recent management of the railroad for what has happened."

To Appoint Committee.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Plans for the appointment of an independent committee to represent the independent bondholders of the Wabash Railroad became known here today following conferences between James C. Chaplin, president of the Colonial Trust Company, of Pittsburg, George M. Reynolds, of the Continental & Commercial National Bank, and others.

The independent committee will be made up of Willard King, president of the Columbia Trust Company, New York, chairman; F. J. Lisman, banker, New York; A. M. Edwards, president of the Commonwealth Trust Co., St. Louis; Mr. Slaughter, banker, London; Harrison B. Riley, president of the Chicago Title & Trust Company, Chicago.

The Columbia Trust Company, of New York, the Commonwealth Trust Company, of St. Louis, and the Chicago Title & Trust Company, will be depositaries of the committee. Samuel Untermeyer, of New York, it was said, will be counsel.

Oppose Plans of Reorganization

New York, Dec. 19.—Strong opposition developed today to the plans announced for the reorganization of the Wabash Railroad Company which were inaugurated by the "friendly receivership" obtained yesterday by the Westinghouse Air Brake Company in St. Louis. Today an independent committee of the first refunding and extensions four per cent mortgage bonds of the Wabash was formed in opposition to the committee formed by the reorganization interests headed by Winslow S Pierce and other directors of the Equitable Trust Company last night.

The new committee which is headed by James N. Wallace, president of the Central Trust Company, offers bondholders exactly the same inducement for the deposit of their bonds as the Pierce committee, namely, the payment of the $800,000 interest on the bonds due January 1st, in the event that it is not paid by the railroad company. Although not officially stated, it was said that the opposition committee plans to ask for the appointment of an independent receiver, as a part of its fight against the interests which now appear to be in control. The chief objection is said to be 'the friendliness" of the receivership.:

There was formed also today a stockholders' committee headed by Charles H. Keep, president of the Knickerbocker Trust Company, as it is said to be practically certain that if the plans of the directors committee are carried out assessments will be levied on both the common and preferred stock.

The more pressing needs of the Wabash road aggregate about $2,000,000 which amount, it was intimated, will be forthcoming. For the more important work of reorganization such as new equipment and completing double tracking now underway it is estimated at least $10,000 will be required. The bankers identified with the road say that many millions of dollars will be needed to put it in a state of efficiency.

London, Dec. 19.—The admiralty court found today that the White Star line Steamship Olympic was responsible for the collision with the British protected cruiser Hawke near Osborne Bay on the north side of the Isle of Wright on September 20th, last. The cause of the collision was that the liner Olympic came too close to the cruiser Hawke.

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THE DANGER OF A DIRECT DEMOCRACY

Representative Underwood Before the Catholic Club of New York.

MR. WICKERSHAM ALSO SPEAKS

Both Speaker Dealt With the Subject of Privileges of Government—Extracts From Their Addresses

New York, Dec. 19.—Two addresses, one by Attorney General Wickersham, who declared that the true nationalism is equality of opportunity to every citizen, and the other by Representative Oscar Underwood, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the House, on the dangers of a direct democracy were heard by members of the Catholic Club and their guests at their dinner tonight.

"If there are evils in our government as it exists today," he said, "it is not in its organic form. It is due to the failure of those in office to honestly, fairly and justly perform the duties imposed upon them."

He pointed to the failures of direct democracies and drew the contrast between them and the successes of a representative democracy responsive to the will of a majority, but checked by the constitution from exercising a brutal force which might destroy the liberty and property of the individual.

The proposal to abandon in part this scheme of the revolutionary fathers, with a tendency to place the power of law-making in the hands of all the people, would place constitutional guarantees of individual liberty subservient to the will of the majority through political compulsion, he said.

Those who urge a change, he argued, do not reflect that at times they may misjudge real public sentiment, that the representative who acts as the instrument of the government is at fault and not the basic principle of the government itself.

"My experience as a legislator," he continued, "leads me to believe that the Congress of the United States will ultimately respond to the enlightened and matured sentiment of the people." He pointed to instances wherein it had done so—in railroad rate legislation, pure food laws, campaign and publicity, national quarantine, irrigation of the arid West and the building of the isthmian canal.

"The response may not be rapid," he said, but it is probably more permanent and there is certainly not as much danger of enacting hasty, ill-considered or bad legislation.

"Cannot a committee of the Congress, composed of representative men, initiatate legislation, within the limitations of the constitution, guard against excesses and abuses, protect the rights or better than the partisan friends of a measure who, in order that they may accomplish one result, are tempted to reach so far that they leave a wake of destruction as to collateral matters the measure touches?

"If there are evils in our government as it exists today, it is not in its organic form. It is due to the failure of those in office to honestly, fairly and justly perform the duties imposed upon them. The remedy is plain and the way is clear. The people should drive from the places of power and responsibility the unfaithful servant and elect those who will be faithful and true to the trust imposed upon them.

"You tell me the people cannot elect honest and faithful servants. I tell you that the masses of the people are far better judges of men than they are of measures, and are far more likely to select an honest man than an honest measure.

"When you say that the voter cannot select a public official who will reflect the will of the people in his office, and be faithful to the constitution of his country, I say you reflect on the very first principle of free government and misjudge the honesty and the intelligence of the American people.

"Let us elect honest men to public office, men who have the courage to stand for the true interest of the constitution they represent regardless of what effect it may have on their personal fortunes. There tuen will be no demand for a change of the fundamental principles of our government."

Attorney General Wickersham's subject was "The Equality of Opportunity for All and Special Privileges for None."

The enforcement of the law against unlawful restraint of trade and monopolies is attended with much outcry by those who have too long enjoyed unfair advantages over their competitors the end of which they now see, declared Mr. Wickersham. "But be not deceived by their clamor, neither the law, nor the enforcement of the law is directed against legitimate business enterprise, but to what William Penn denominated 'the great end of all government, viz: to support power and reverence with the people and to secure the people from the abuse of power.'

"A few months ago a visitor to this city, desirous of seeing its most famous highway, would have beheld an extraordinary spectacle," continued the attorney general. "All along the great Fifth avenue, an army of workmen was employed removing the fa-

cades of some of the buildings, shearing off columns and pilasters from others, demolishing and reconstructing. Inquiry would have led to the conclusion that during a considerable period of years the owners of land abutting on this high land had gradually encroached upon the street, until finally the city authorities awakened to the fact that the highway, which was the property of all, was being appropriated for the benefit of a few. Thereupon legal proceedings were commenced and the authorities compelled each and every lot owner to take down so much of his building as encroached upon the highway. The supremacy of the law was vindicated.

"As with this single highway in this one city, so has it been with the great currents of commerce among the States and with foreign countries. Encroachments have been made, obstacles erected, and the rights secured by constitutions and laws to all the inhabitants of the land alike have been encroached upon by those who were not content with their fair share of the highways of commerce but desired to exclude from its use others weaker than they, in order to appropriate more than their fair share of the profits.

"There is but one power under our system of government which is adequate to protect the individual citizen from the unfair competition of great associations clothed by the States with corporate form and authority to engage in business on a huge scale. That is a power vested in the Federal government by the legislation of the United States to regulate commerce among the States and with foreign nations. As the States cannot, from the nature of things, exercise this power, the Nation must rise to a full recognition of its duties, and its legislation, and in the enforcement of that legislation must secure to all citizens alike, equality of opportunity and freedom from interference by individuals of States in the conduct of that commerce which must be free in order that it may be successful.

"Freedom of trade and commerce does not mean freedom to destroy competition by unfair methods. We cannot continue a Nation of free men if the right of any man to pursue his chosen livlihood is held at the will and pleasure of any other man or group of men. I do not mean for one moment to minimize the tremendous advantage to the country of co-operative effort, whether it be in matters of religion, or philanthropy, or business, but when co-operative associations, in whatever form, become so extensive and so powerful as to secure to the members a power which is or may at will be used to destroy the right of the individual citizen to engage in trade and commerce on the same terms as every other citizen, that it is the duty of the government to lay a restraining hand upon that organization and say, 'thus far shalt thou go, and no further.'

"The enforcement of the law against legal restraints of trade and monopolies which is the sworn duty of the executive officers of the Federal government is attended with much outcry by those who have too long enjoyed unfair advantages over their competitors, the end of which they now see. But be not deceived by the clamor, neither the law nor the enforcement of the law is directed against legitimate business enterprise, but to what William Penn denominated 'the great end of all government, viz: to support power and reverence with the people and to secure the people from the abuse of power'."

THE MORSE CASE.

President and Attorney General Say No Action for Present.

Washington, Dec. 19. — President Taft and Attorney General Wickersham made it plain today that fo rtae present no further action would be taken by the government in the case of Charles W. Morse. Mr. Wickersham, following a meeting of the cabinet, said that Morse was not in a critical condition, and would remain in the army hospital at Fort McPherson, near Atlanta, where he was removed from the Atlanta penitentiary several weeks ago.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 19.—The condition of Charles W. Morse, the former New York banker, was slightly improved this morning, according to information given out by army officers at Fort McPherson, where he is undergoing treatment. The fact that the military surgeons report on his condition has been forwarded to Washington and the hope that the President will parole him within the next few days, are thought to have been partly responsible for his rally.

No application for a commutation of sentence will be consideerd by the President or Mr. Wickersham, unless the condition of Morse grows materially worse. A parole has never been under consideration. Officials here say that Morse's friends cannot expect further action at this time.

They point out that the department of justice has been most lenient in its handling of Morse, since it became known that he was seriously ill.

Mobile, Ala., Dec. 19.—Eighty negroes were brought to Mobile over the Mobile & Ohio Railroad last night to unload vessels of the Mallory Steamship Line because of the walkout of 150 negro longshoremen on Sunday. The negroess came from points north of this city. It was reported early this morning that more than half of them shortly after their arrival joined the strikers.

Mountain Grove, Mo., Dec. 19.—Northbound passenger train No. 106 on the St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad was derailed near here today, killing Hugh Colvin, engineer, and William Ragan, fireman, both of Springfield, Mo., and slightly injuring several passengers. The train left Memphis last night and was due in Kansas City at 10:30 today.

Rice will absorb three times its measure of water and a large quantly of milk or stock.

Lightning Kills Few.

In 1906 lightning killed only 169 people in this whole country. One's chances of death by lightning are less than two in a million. The chance of death from liver, kidney or stomach troubles is vastly greater, but not if Electric Bitters be used, as Robert Madsen, of West Burlington, Ia., proved. Four doctors gave him up after eight months of suffering from virulent liver trouble and yellow jaundice. He was then completely cured by Electric Bitters. They're the best stomach, liver, nerve and kidney remedy and blood purifier on earth. Only 50c at R. R. Bellamy.

..Theatrical..

In anticipation of the big business during holiday week at The Grand Theatre, the management is this week offering extraordinarily big bills and the public is not slow to appreciate what is being done in its behalf. For today the Grand Theatre will present the first production of an Essanay Photoplay, "The Mountain Law," a drama of moonshine in the Kentucky hills. The illicit still is shown in full operation and intertwined in this story of the mountain industry is a pretty little love affair that finally culminates with the arrival of the revenue officers after a near-lynching. Then there is a pretty tale of an Irish fiishing village, "The Fishermaid of Ballydavid." The son of a New York broker is in love with the girl, or professes to be, and then comes a father's interference, finally a voyage to America and the girl learns the true story of her erstwhile lover and rejects him with scorn, returning to her home and into the bosom of her family. In additiou to these films there will be one other and a new song by Mr. Morgan. Everybody goes to the Grand Theatre now.

Holiday at The Bijou.

It "sure am" holiday times at the Bijou. A festive air hovers over the attractive amusement spot and giant crowds gaily throng the theatre. In anticipation of such a gala time the Bijou management has prepared a great holiday bill, which will last throughout the Yuletide, although the bill will be changed daily, as it is the custom of the Bijou to give everything new each day, and the best of it, too. Yesterday's business, when "The Two Orphans" (three reels) was presented, was a record breaker for attendance, and not only did the Bijou come in for lavish praise on account of its enterprise in making such a big offering in most sumptuous way, but for doing so without raising the price of admission. It is always 5 cents at the merry Bijou. But what of today's bill? Well, it is going to be a hummer, that will add greatly to the joy of home folks and afford the visitors and returned collegians much pleasure. One of the star features of the film category today will be the powerful film, "A Head for Business." It can well be termed a gripping film of cold commercialism, and is a heart throbber. Another star is going to be "The Daisy Cowboys", and it tells some highly amusing things as to ranch life. The jolly cowboys have a "peach" of a time in this film. It is a photoplay strong for fine scenery, too. All the other films are good ones, while the music for today is brand new and of the merriest type.

Mr. Jansen Tomorrow Night.

Mr. Karl Jansen, the Swedish humorist and entertainer, will appear at the Boys' Brigade armory tomorrow night presenting the third number of the popular and very successful Lyceum Course now being conducted by the Boys' Brigade. Probably no more thoroughly delightful entertainments have ever been presented in Wilmington than were those of the Littlefield trio and the Harmony Concert Company and that Mr. Jansen will succeed in pleasmg equally as well is a foregone conclusion as is attested by the following excerpts taken from comments from some of the places where he has appeared:

Charlotte Observer: "Mr. Jansen's entertainment is a success in every way. Too much cannot be said of the versatility and excellency of his programme." Cincinnati, Ohio, Enquirer: "His description of his native Sweden was very beautiful, and his impersonation of characters finely produced. He gave a splendid entertainment, highly appreciated by a large audience."

Among the people of Wilmington are many former students of the University of North Carolina who heard Mr. Jansen while at school and each is high in his praise of Mr. Jansen's gifts as an entertainer. One of the most prominent physicians of the city acclaims Mr. Jansen among the greatest interpreters and actors of Shakespearian characters he ever heard and he anticipates great pleasure in the opportunity to hear Mr. Jansen again. Another pleasing feature of Mr. Jansen's entertainments is that all selections are presented in full costume historically correct. A crowded house will probably hear Mr. Jansen tomorrow night. Reserved seat tickets are on sale at Dosher Bros'. store today and if the best seats are desired one should call early today as a heavy sale is expected.

CAROLINA BASEBALL.

Personnel of League Still Matter of Doubt, Says Charlotte.

Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 19.—The baseball situation, according to an officer of the local association today, seems to be a subject about which there is considerable misapprehension, according to the sporting editor of the Chronicle this afternoon, who says:

The question as to what teams shall constitute the Carolina Asspciation next summer has not been determined and will not be determined until the directors of the Carolina Association have held their prospective meeting and settled this point, according to the local official interviewed today.

Although Greenville, Anderson and Spartanburg have put up their checks for $1,000 as a necessary preliminary to re-election to the association, the putting up of the check under the circumstances under which the same was offered, after the regular date for this had passed, does not finally determine that such team retains its membership in the arolina Association.

The whole question appears to be an open one which the directors will dispose of at the meeting to be held within tne next few weeks at the call of the president of the organization, Mr. J. H. Wearn.

The possibility of Raleigh and other North Carolina towns coming into the league is still open, and one or more of these, and possibly Rock Hill, may be admitted to the Carolina Association for the 1912 season.

In the event that Raleigh or other towns will be given formal opportunity to come into the association, they will be notified of the fact and a time set within which they may come across with the check of $1,000, if they wish to pursue the matter while there is a chance left to get into the league.

The directors are inclined to move with conservatism and slowly in the matter of the personnel of the league next year, and hence no undue haste or hurry will be permitted in the important task which is shortly to be undertaken by the baseball magnates.

FATAL JOY RIDE

Machine Overturned and One Killed Near Montgomery, Ala

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 19.—Edna Stewart, a woman of the underworld, was pinned under the car and burned to death when an automobile was wrecked on the outskirts of Montgomery last night. Deputy Sheriff W. H. Bridgers was seriously injured. It is said there were five other passengers, three men and two women, who may be more or less injured but every effort is being made to conceal the details and as yet the names of these persons have not been learned.

The machine was running at a high rate of speed when one of the front tires blew out, throwing the wheel around and turning the car headlong down an embankmet. The machine was destroyed by fire and the remaining frame work was twisted into an unrecognizable mass.

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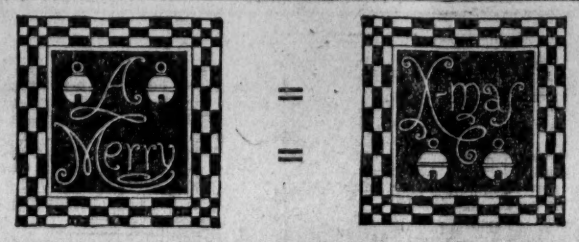

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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE.

To the Owners and Holders of Bonds outstanding under that certain Mortgage or Deed of Trust from the Tidewater Power Company to the Carnegie Trust Company, dated January 1, 1909:

Notice is hereby given that a vacancy having occurred in the office of the Trustee under the mortgage or deed of trust executed by the Tidewater Power Company to the Carnegie Trust Company, as Trustee, bearing date the 1st day of January, 1909, securing an issue of bonds of this Company of the aggregate par value of $2,000,000, the Board of Directors of this Company has, pursuant to the terms of said mortgage, filled such vacancy by a resolution duly adopted at a meeting duly called and held on the 24th day of October, 1911, whereby the Pennsylvania Company for Insurance on Lives and Granting Annuities was designated and appointed as Trustee as successor to said Carnegie Trust Company;

In accordance with the terms and provisions of said mortgage or deed of trust, and in accordance with the said resolution adopted as aforesaid, a certificate of the appointment of the said Pennsylvania Company for Insurance on Lives and Granting Annuities, was duly registered in the office of the Register of the County of New Hanover, in Book No. 66, Records of New Hanover County, page 325.

An order has also been entered in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York, on the 20th day of November, 1911, permitting the superintendent of Banks of the State of New York, in charge of the Carnegie Trust Company, to join with the Carnegie Trust Company in resigning as Trustee under the said mortgage or deed of trust, and to convey to the said Pennsylvania Company for Insurance on Lives and Granting Annuities all rights and property of the said Carnegie Trust Company, as Trustee, under the said mortgage or deed of trust.

By virtue of the said resolution of the Board of Directors, and by virtue of the said certificate recorded as aforesaid, and by virtue of the said order entered in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York, notice is hereby given that the Pennsylvania Company for Insurance on Lives and Granting Annuities is now the duly qualified and acting Trustee under and by virtue of the aforesaid mortgage or deed of trust in the place of and as successor to said Carnegie Trust Company.

This notice is published in accordance with the terms and provisions of the said mortgage or deed of trust.

TIDEWATER POWER COMPANY.
By Hugh MacRae, President.
H. Woollcott, Secretary.
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NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND.

Pursuant to the direction and power contained in the last will and testament of William H. Stone, deceased, late of Brunswick county, North Carolina, the undersigned executors of the said last will and testament will on Monday, the 18th day of December, 1911, at Southport, at the Court House door, in Brunswick county, North Carolina, at 12:30 o'clock P. M., sell, at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidders, all of the real property of the said William H. Stone, situated in Shallotte Township, Brunswick County.

Pursuant to the provisions of said will, the said lands will be divided into four equal parts and each part will be sold separately.

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R. R. STONE,
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The undersigned having this day duly qualified as Administratrix of the estate of the late John C. Boesch, hereby gives notice to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same, duly verified, to her, on or before the 6th day of December, A. D. 1912, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

MINNIE BOESCH,
Administratrix of the estate of John C. Boesch.
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AFFAIRS AT STATE CAPITAL

Elimination of Duplicative Work by Department of Agriculture—Committee Named to Prepare Salaries

(Special Star Telegram).

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 19.—There were adopted here today for the elimination of duplicative work by the State Department of Agriculture and the A. & M. College and experiment station. The farmers' institute work will remain with the State Department of Agriculture and have the cooperation of the college and experiment station. The farm demonstration work will be handled by the Department of Agriculture and the United States Department with co-operation of the college through extension department and the teachers and be kept in close touch with the agricultural high schools with the ultimate aim to have at least one expert farmer in each county.

Young boy's corn club work will be given over to the college, the State Department of Agriculture to co-operate by furnishing one man for work and continue its present appropriations.

All workers in the college station and State Department of Agriculture engaged in investigational or experimental work will be grouped in one compact station under the director and vice director, the station to be strictly on scientific basis. All this joint work will be under control of the joint committee from two boards.

O. L. Clark, for college and R. W. Scott for the Department of Agriculture, are named as the special committee to arrange a schedule of salaries and report as to other matters, subject to adoption by the full committee at a meeting January 24th.

The executive committee of the North Carolina Bar Association in session here tonight decided to hold the 1912 session on June 25th to 27th, the place to be decided upon later with strong indications that Raleigh will be selected. On the committee are Col. Harry Skinner, Hon. Francis D. Winston, and A. W. McLean, and A. B. Andrews, Jr., with C. W. Tillett and T. W. Davis, the latter secretary of the association, meeting with them.

Also there was a meeting of the special committee of the Bar Association for the drafting of bills for redistricting the State and for the revision of the rules of practice. Organization was effected and the purpose was declared to go into the work thoroughly with indications that a "young turk" element on the committee will bring forth a report for the June meeting that will stir an abundant interest. On this committee are C. W. Tillett, chairman; Col. Harry Skinner, A. W. McLean, George Rountree, Francis Winston, and T. W. Davis.

Blockaders from the Spout Springs section of Harnett county engaged the attention of the Federal Court today. Calvin Lucas and his son, Calvin, Jr., were convicted of blockading and fined $200 each and the costs in the case. In the State Court the Lucases had previously been fined $1,000 for retailing.

Willis McRae, also of the Spout Springs section, entered a plea of guilty of blockading, but judgment was suspended, on account of his having been very seriously wounded at the time of his arrest. The court took the view that he had been sufficiently punished, and suspended judgment on condition that he be of good behavior. Willis McRae was one of a party of blockaders and was wounded in a general skirmish in which blockaders became separated and are said to have fired on each other, each party taking the other as revenue raiders. And it is in this skirmish that it is thought that he was wounded.

The afternoon was devoted to the trial of Neal McRae, brother of Willis, who is charged with blockading in connection with the same still operations.

NEBRASKA TAFT LEAGUE.

That State is for "Taft His Own Successor."

Lincoln, Neb, Dec. 19.—A mass meeting of Nebraska Republicans was held this afternoon and evening to get in motion a movement looking to the selection of delegates to the National convention pledged to the re-nomination of President Taft. The declarations of the speakers and the resolutions adopted were eulogistic of the President, and "Taft his own successor," was the slogan throughout the meeting.

The organization of a Nebraska Taft league was effected and committee was appointed empowered to confer with committees of each Congressional district in the selection of two delegates from each district, the combined committees in turn to meet at Lincoln and recommend four delegates at large to the National convention.

Former Congressman Calderhead, of Kansas, made the principal speech and declared the Taft movement, once started, would spread because it had the force of reason and merit behind it.

The resolutions warmly commend the administration of President Taft and call for his renomination, because "the benevolent Christian people of civilized nations everywhere have been looking for many years for a great leader in the advocacy of world peace, and have found him in our President."

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

Excavations Will be Completed This Week—Occupancy.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 19.—It is expected that the excavations for the new State building will be completed by the time the work suspends for the Christmas holidays and that the work of construction will be gotten under way right after New Year. The contractors are expediting the work as much as possible and are determined to have the building complete by the time the next Legislature convenes in 1913. However, it is hardly probable that the State departments to occupy it will be able to move in before the Legislature has completed its 60 days' session.

To blanch almonds pour boiling water over them and leave them till the water is cold, when the skins will be quite loose.

GREENSBORO POULTRY SHOW

Many Exhibitors—First Presbyterian Church—Other Notes

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 19.—The annual Greensboro poultry show opened today with the finest lot of fancy fowls ever before exhibited here. There are birds on exhibition from many cities and towns in North Carolina while South Carolina is represented as far south as Charleston. Judge Gorman was in the hall yesterday judging the birds and when the doors were opened this morning many Greensboro people and visitors in the city passed through the show room for an inspection of the fancy bred fowls.

Rev. Milton Clark, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Greensboro, wound up a pastorate of five years at this church Sunday. In calling attention to the fact that he was starting on the sixth year Mr. Clark read some interesting church statistics. One of the most interesting was that during the five years Mr. Clark had made more than 5,000 pastoral calls or an average of more than three daily during those years. In the same length of time the membership of the church has incerased 327 or 50 per cent.

W. H. McGlammery, for many years passenger-ticket agent of the Southern here, has tendered his resignation, effective January 1st, and on that date will become actively associated with a large automobile agency with headquarters here. Mr. McGlammery's successor has not yet been chosen.

A very pleasant event of last night was the annual banquet given by the Hudson Overall Company to the more than 150 young women in its employ Rev. Shuford Peeler acted as toastmaster and in very happy vein and along the theme of co-operation the young ladies called upon responded.

T. Gilbert Pearson, National secretary of the Audubon Society, is expected here from New York tomorrow and after spending the holidays here will return, carrying with him Mrs. Pearson and family.

ROCKY POINT PERSONALS.

Items of Interest From the Garden Spot of Pender County.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Point, N. C., Dec. 19.—Miss Sallie Oldham, of Wilmington, teacher of expression at Meredith College, will on the evening of the 22nd, give a recital at the Academy. All lovers of elocution will take heed and be in attendance. Miss Oldham while here will be the guest of Miss Fannie Hayes.

Mrs. Minnie Pearsall, of Richmond, Va., and Mrs. A. E. Loftin, of Wilmington, are at Mr. E. D. Pearsall's.

Miss Olivia Miller is just in from that fine old school, Salem Academy. Miss Sarah Durham is just in from the James Sprunt school at Kenansville. Both of these young ladies will spend the holidays with their parents——Misses Martha and Ruth Malpass, of Currie, are visiting their brother, Mr. Hanson Malpass. An apron party will be given at his residence Wednesday evening, complimentary to the young ladies——Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Duncan and Master G. B. Duncan, of Pinners Point, Va., are spending the week at Mr. G. P. Duncan's.

The Southern Express Co., seems to be up to its neck handling Christmas packages, both dry and wet, a big majority of the latter.

Owing to the low price of cotton the usual amount of fireworks, toys, etc., will not be purchased by the merchants. Farm operations will be suspended after Thursday of this week. Labor will be on a holiday strike.

E. D. P.

SHOT FROM GRILL ROOM.

Fort Worth Man Fired Upon by His Wife at Night.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 19.—Homer Y. Trout, shot by his wife in a grill room here late last night as he sat at a table with a party of friends, died early today.

When Mr. Trout entered the door of the grill room she walked straight to the table where her husband sat.

"I've caught you now," she said, drawing a revolver from her muff. Trout paled and glanced from the face of his companions to his wife.

The answer to his look of appeal was a shot and Trout sank in his chair.

A moment later his wife was crying hysterically, "My God, I've killed my poor little boy. I never meant to do it."

When the shot was fired Mrs. Jule Saylard who was in the supper party sprang from her chair and made an effort to wrest the revolver from Mrs. Trout's hand.

At the police station the repeated statement of Mrs. Trout that she did not intend to kill her husband led the police to say that it is probable the bullet was not intended for Trout.

FOUND DYNAMITE

Was Buried in Shubbery at Los Angeles Residence

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec 19.—Twenty-three sticks of high-power dynamite were found by a gardner late today buried in shrubbery at the residence of Arthur Letts, owner of the largest department store in Los Angeles.

After an investigation the police announce their belief that the dynamite had been placed in the yard by some one who wanted to get rid of it. There was nothing to indicate that any attempt was made to blow up the Letts residence. No caps or fuses were found.

Two men who were seen loitering around the Letts mansion at noon are being sought by the police but the latter admit that the can containing the explosives had been buried for some time.

FATHER ARRIVES SOUTH

Parent of One of Young Men Held at Savannah, Ga.

Savannah, Ga., Dec 19.—Dr. J. Harvey Hill, of Baltimore, father of Geo. H. Hill, one of the men held here in connection with the robbery of the Coast Line train, No. 80, a week ago, today reached Savannah. He went almost at once to visit a law firm with the supposed purpose of engaging them to defend his son at a preliminary hearing which will probably be called within the next 24 hours. The father seems very much distressed over the predicament in which he has found his boy.

NEWSBOY MADE FORTUNE.

Because One Romance of His Life Ended When Poor.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—George Bonnett, Chicago's oldest "newsboy" died wealthy because the one romance of his life ended 35 years ago, when he was poor.

Bonnett's death came a few years ago at the age of 70 years and after he had accumulated a fortune of more than $30,000 by selling newspapers and relentlessly saving his pennies.

A love affair at Wooster, O., three and a half decades ago, caused him to abandon that town the day after his sweetheart's father had told her that she could not marry a poor man like Bonnett.

There and then, according to his half brother, C. M. Lovett, who arrived in Chicago last night from Wooster, Bonnett declared that he would accumulate a fortune and he vowed at the same time that no other woman would ever help him enjoy it.

Bonnett lived in a room for which he paid three a month and ate where he could get his meals cheapest.

When he died none of his relatives could be found. He had signified to W. G. Austin, a business man, his intention of leaving his money to the newsboys' home. He had also told him the story of his love affair.

Bonnett left no will so far as known.

OFFICER CHARGED

Chief of Police of South Carolina Town to Answer for Murder

Lancaster, S. C., Dec. 19.—Charged with the murder of "Doc" Welborn, a young mountaineer, the night of September 28th, 1910, H. V. Holcomb, chief of police of Townville; J. E. Woolbright, an assistant and Baskin Sears and James Baldwin, were were placed in the county jail here last night. Sears and Baldwin, it is said, were called in at the time to aid in arresting Welborn on a charge of being intoxicated.

The charge will be made, it is said, that Welborn was killed before being placed in the guardhouse and that the house was burned to hide the crime. The arrests today are the result of the work of detectives who have been on the case for several months.

Oskaloosa, Okla., Dec. 19.—John White, president of the United Mine Workers of America, late this afternoon claimed re-election to the presidency over T. L. Lewis by a majority of 40,000 to 50,000. Mr. White based his claim on complete and unofficial returns received here.

CLARK'S "ARABIC" ORIENT CRUISE

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having this day qualified as administrator of the estate of Thimas Council, deceased, this is to notify all persons owing the said Thimas Council to make immediate payment to the undersigned and all persons having claims against the said estate to present them to me on or before December 13th, 1912, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

GEORGE H. HUTAFF,
Administrator, Estate Thimas Council.
This December 12th, 1911. de13w4t

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Lv. Petersburg	11:00 a m	10:40 p m
Ar. Durham	7:00 a m	5:30 p m
Lv. Lynchburg	2:40 a m	6:25 p m
Ar. Cincinnati	7:20 a m	6:25 p m
Ar. Columbus	6:45 a m	6:55 p m
Ar. Chicago	5:00 p m	7:30 a m
Ar. St. Louis	6:33 p m	2:30 a m

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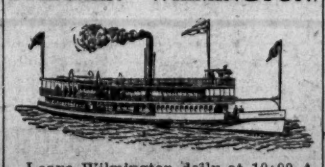

Leave Wilmington daily at 10:00 A. M.

Leave Southport daily at 2:30 P. M.

APPLICATION FOR COMMUTATION

of the Sentence of Death Imposed by Law Upon L. M. Sandlin.

Application will be made to the Governor of North Carolina for commutation to life imprisonment of the sentence of death imposed by law upon L. M. Sandlin by reason of his conviction at the July term of the Superior Court of New Hanover County of the crime of murder.

All persons who oppose the granting of said commutation are invited to forward their protests to the Governor without delay.

This 12th day of December, 1911.
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Our appropriate pieces for Christmas Gifts are undoubtedly the Best Selected—which means the greatest values for the price charged, in the city.

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DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 90, ! 3:40 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. No. 91 leaves Norfolk 13:35 P. M. and Richmond 14:10 P. M.)	No. 91, a 1:00 A. M.
No. 51, * 5:45 A. M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. **Pullman Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.**	No. 50, *11:40 P. M.
No. 64, ! 5:50 A. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 65, ! 6:50 P. M.
No. 48, * 8:40 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. **Pullman Parlor Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York Trains with Pullman Service.**	No. 49, * 6:15 P. M.
No. 53, * 8:45 A. M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52, * 8:05 P. M.
No. 55, * 3:15 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway (!) Florence, Charleston, Savannah, **All Florida Points,** Columbia, Asheville and the West. **Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia.**	No. 54, 1:40 P. M.
No. 62, * 3:25 P. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 63, *12:50 P. M.
No. 59, ! 6:30 P. M.	Fayetteville, Sanford and Intermediate Stations.	No. 60, !10:15 A. M.
No. 42, * 7:00 P.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. **Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains, with Pullman and Dining Car Service. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.**	No. 41, * 9:45 A. M.
No. 57, ! 7:30 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate Stations.	No. 58, ! 8:30 A. M.

* Daily. !Daily except Sunday. a Daily except Monday.

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE.

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4, 1911.

Winter Park, Wrightsville, Wrightsville Beach and Intermediate Points.

EAST BOUND.			WEST BOUND.		
Leave Wilmington for Winter Park	Leave Wilmington for Wrightsville	Leave Wilmington for Wrightsville Beach	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville Beach for Wilmington
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SPECIAL FOR SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS.
Leave Wilmington every half hour from 2:00 until 5:30 P. M.
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Trains Leave Wilmington, Effective Nov. 26th, 1911.

No. 45—5:00 A. M.—For Hamlet, and intermediate points, to Charlotte, connects at Hamlet with No. 66, for Raleigh and points North.

No. 39—3:25 P. M.—For Charlotte, connecting at Hamlet with through trains for Atlanta, Birmingham, Jacksonville, Norfolk, New York, and trains in all directions. Arrive Hamlet 7:40 P. M.; leave Hamlet, 8:00 P. M.; arrive Charlotte, 10:50 P. M.

Trains Arrive at Wilmington:

No. 40—12:30 P. M.—From Charlotte.

No. 44—12:10 A. M.—From Charlotte and intermediate points.

No. 45 connects at Hamlet with No. 65, for all points North; at Monroe, with No. 53, for Atlanta.

No. 39 connects at Hamlet with No. 41, for Atlanta, Birmingham and Memphis; No. 84, for Washington and New York; No. 32, for Portsmouth, Norfolk, and No. 43, for Columbia, Savannah and Jacksonville.

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COMMUNICATIONS, unless they contain important news, or discuss briefly and properly subjects of real interest, are not wanted; and if acceptable in every other way, they will invariably be rejected unless the real name of the author accompanies the same, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith.

Wednesday, December 20, 1911.

Wilmington's delightful weather every Winter is the best argument why this city should have two or three tourist hotels.

A steamship company which expects to do much business via the Panama canal will be obliged to have about as large a capital stock as a railroad company.

Congressmen say that Congress is playing politics, while the newspapers say Congress is playing Old Harry. Next year the newspapers will be defending what they are attacking today.

When a business man can reach thousands of people by spending a small sum of money for an advertisement in the Star, it is a wonder they do not see the point and go after the trade that does not know they are in business.

The Baltimore Sun says Senators Overman and Simmons have declared for Baltimore as the convention city for the National Democrats next year. The North Carolina Senators clearly represent the Tar Heel State in that connection.

The Baldwin Locomotive Works is enlarging its plants everywhere and is to put up big shops in Chicago to keep up with its orders from Western railroads. It ought to have a plant at Wilmington to supply Southern roads and make locomotives for its South American trade. There are a lot of machinery concerns with a big trade in South America and such a South Atlantic port as Wilmington offers them splendid opportunities to reach the Latin American trade. Manufacturers should locate where they can master the transportation feature of their business.

Chairman Lee, of the Indiana State Republican Committee, declares the Republican party can not hope to win in that State with Taft as its candidate. The Hon. John C. New, however, says Taft will stand as good a showing in Indiana as any candidate for President. Anyhow, Mr. New thinks Taft is the strongest candidate the Republicans can nominate. Indiana seems to be a very doubtful State and that means that campaign money will flow freely in the Hoosier State the coming year. Nobody can tell how a State will go when money is used to corrupt its voters.

No doubt the people of Louisiana will be glad when the gubernatorial campaign is over. It is worse than anything Georgia ever put up. The "fight" for the governorship seems to be a libel contest between the several candidates. Men's names and reputations are being handled in the most reckless fashion. The "charges" run all the way from petit larceny to collecting double salaries and committing murder. The man who aspires to be governor of some States of this Union have to have powerfully clean records and even then it will be hard work to wash off the smut.

In a jam in New York last Sunday, Col. Roosevelt's automobile blocked a street car and the motorman shouted to him: "Hey, you! Run your blamed machine up against the curb if you want to get in. Don't you know anything? Get off the track!" With a grin for an answer, the ex-President hopped into the tonneau and sped away amid the cheers of the crowd. Col. Roosevelt had just spoken at the Labor Temple, where, it is said, his speech was mainly religious. While the Colonel is trying to keep quiet, it seems he cannot even turn out to make a religious talk without attracting more attention than all the rest of the candidates.

REAL DEVELOPMENT PLANS

The Star has contained enough to make a book in pointing to the fact that land syndicates and farms companies will do more to attract settlers than all other plans that were ever devised. We might hold a governors' conference once a week but unless the governors have definite propositions to make to home-seekers they will be wasting their time. The governors cannot go into the land business and we doubt whether any of the governors who attended the Baltimore conference have any well-defined plan to attract a desirable class of settlers. The governors have all they can attend to without becoming immigration agents. The States might have departments of bureaus to look after the immigration business, but they cannot do much more than co-operate with individuals and land companies in the attraction of new population.

We do not see any use in wasting time in the discussion of plans to get settlers, when years ago Mr. Hugh MacRae and his associates in the Carolina Trucking and Development Company, of Wilmington, demonstrated that a company like theirs can do more to land homeseekers than any other known plan. Their plan is to sell farms on reasonable terms to new-comers and assist them while they are establishing a home and developing their farm. They also aid new-comers with farm demonstration work and in looking out for their comfort and promoting their interest in a systematic way. Their plan attracted settlers to their colonies around Wilmington and it will continue to attract new-comers for they have an effective advertising and publicity plan.

The Sunny South Colony at Chadbourn also has demonstrated that settlers can be attracted by definite propositions to those who wish to buy farms and make a home for themselves. Senator J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn, evolved a plan which has made Chadbourn a prosperous town of more than 1,200 people, surrounded by productive farms and prosperous farmers. If every country had a leader or a syndicate which would add two or three thousand people to its population, we would witness a vast development in North Carolina. What better or more effective plan can be conceived than the colony promoters, farms companies and land syndicates which have proven what they can do? More of these companies are being organized and they are sure to bring results. Columbia and Georgetown have gone at it right, and in noting their activities the Charleston Post thus points out an opportunity to Charleston:

"A Columbia land development company has come in under the wire with a small-farm proposition and once again Charleston must stand by and see how the other fellow turns the trick of putting improved lands upon the market and presenting real inducements to settlers to come in and enjoy the climate and soil advantages of South Carolina. An interesting point of this Columbai enterprise is that the 3,700 acres of land to be cut up into small farms of from fifty to 100 acres each was bought from a Charleston man, Capt. F. W. Wagener, selling the tract of 3,700 acres to the Columbia syndicate for $65,000. That syndicate will sell the soil in small farm lots for from $35 to $45 an acre, under conditions almost identical to those used by the Georgetown promoters. Here again Charleston should take notice, Georgetown on one side and Columbia on the other are blazing the way for Charleston action. It is with no spirit of speculation that Columbia and Georgetown are going ahead to bring in desirable settlers. A legitimate profit for the disposition of improved lands moves the progressive land development men of Columbia and Georgetown to do something for their State along wise lines. Charleston, with a two-fold problem; that of drainage and that of selling improved lands, must needs take heart from the energy and proper appreciation of opportunity that are shown in Columbia and in Georgetown. There is no lack of excellent farming lands near Charleston which can be divided into small farms and offered to prospective settlers. Charleston is going to realize this truth later, abandon any idea of getting something for nothing in the sale of undrained swamp lands, and finally climb into the band wagon."

There is a fine opportunity for Wilmington to increase her efforts to settle the people in the several counties of which this city is the commercial centre. The coming year ought to witness redoubled efforts to attract settlers, develop industries, and work on lines to enlarge the commerce of the port. These are three big things to work on and we ought to get busy. There are big opportunities and great results in well-directed efforts on a get-industries plan, colonization schemes, and a commerce-making movement. Of course, unless something is started there will be nothing doing for another year and still another, indefinitely protracted.

SOME KIND OF SHIP SUBSIDY.

The ship subsidy idea seems to be gaining ground in Washington and the belief is that finally some sort of bill carrying a subsidy of some description will be passed. The proposition for the government to pay the toll on American shipping passing through the canal is nothing but a subsidy in another guise. The proposition of the Postoffice Department to pay a big stiff price to some steamship company for carrying the mails from the Atlantic to the Pacific is only another way of subsidizing at least one steamship company.

Recently the Postoffice Department received bids in response to its request for proposals to carry the mails between Atlantic and Pacific coast points by way of the Panama canal. One tentative bid was all that was received, and it appears that the department was willing and even anxious to pay $750,000 a year as the maximum for that service, allowed under an act of Congress passed some time ago. The purpose in paying such a price as that, or some large percentage of it, is openly declared to be to assist in the establishment of an independent line of steamships via Panama for the transportation of freight and passengers between the two coasts.

However, the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company seems to be disposed to block the mail subsidy plan of the department, for it has come forward with a proposal to carry the mails at four cents a pound, which would be equivalent to $5,000 a year. That company explains that in offering the government its ships to carry the mails at $5,000 is to save the government from paying a big price to a subsidized line. The President of the American-Hawaiian line says: "The subsidy offer contemplates the contribution by the government of $750,000 a year to the mail line, which would mean the expenditure of $7,500,000 in the ten years the contract is to run. Now, we offer to carry the mails at the regular flat rate of four cents a pound, which would mean, I suppose, a cost to the government of perhaps $5,000 a year, as opposed to $750,000."

That probably heads off the mail subsidy plan, and the friends of the subsidy declare it is an effort on the part of the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company to prevent government aid in the establishment of an independent line of freight and passenger ships by the canal route. In other words, it is charged that the American-Hawaiian line really aims to prevent competition by heading off the subsidy with its low proposal to carry the mails.

As might have been expected, it is charged that transcontinental railroads maintain close and even private relations with the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company. Whether the railroads have anything to do with it or not, it is said the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company has just about put a quietus on the government's mail subsidy scheme to encourage an independent line that will not be dominated by the railroads.

Would not a subsidy of something like $750,000 a year for a so-called independent line really result in a steamship monopoly? It strikes us that no other independent lines could be organized to compete with a line that would have the best of it by $750,000 a year through government aid. A subsidy might prevent the very thing the goernment hopes to bring about—steamship competition.

With the railroads backing the American-Hawaiian line, and probably owning it, they would dictate water routes as well as rail rates. However, with an independent line backed by the government, the American-Hawaiian line practically would have to compete against the government. Figure on it as we may, it would mean the government's aiding one company to compete against all other companies, and certainly the company with the subsidy would have much the best of the game.

Uncle Sam has quite a problem on his hands in his efforts at making the canal an asset of the public instead of an asset of the steamship companies. It looks like the government will either have to own the steamship lines plying from the Atlantic to the Pacific or else do the rate making for all companies, thus throwing each on its own merits and resources. Uncle Sam has a puzzle to work out in the next few years.

INTERNATIONAL DISCOURTESIES.

It is quite natural for Russia to be offended at the manner in which Congress has gone about the proposition to abrogate the treaty of 1832 on the ground that Russia does not comply with her treaty obligations. Of course, that allegation is a plain charge of a Nation's acting in bad faith. It looks like a matter calling for diplomacy instead of buncombe. Indignation and luridity of language on the part of Congressmen is all right in connection with home politics but out of place in international politics. Nations cannot afford to be discourteous to each other or to badger each other, for the consequences may last from fifty to a hundred years. We must recollect that other nations are looking on and that no world power would like to be rebuked before the eyes of all the world. Our Republic would not like it either.

Russia's treatment of naturalized American citizens may be unfair, unjust and even wrongful, but "rough house" methods will not mend matters. Indeed, they may make them worse. If we insist on passports for certain of our citizens and Russia declines to admit them because they are undesirable, we should say that an investigation would show whether the applicants for passports are anarchists, malcontents and agitators. We certainly ought not to insist on passports for people who may be nothing but disturbers of the peace wherever they go. However, it is claimed that Russia rejects passports on account of religious prejudices. That may be an excuse while the reason may be something else. We will have to bring Russia to the point of respecting deserving American citizenship, but in dealing with a Nation it is different from catching a spalpeen by the nape of the neck. We are tyros in statesmanship and diplomacy, as was also instanced in Secretary Knox's "break" in the German tariff differences a few days ago. Threats don't go with individuals much less nations. They call our bluff.

We discuss too many international questions in the open. We even too freely discuss our own National affairs and secrets where all the world can get on to them. The Nation is young. It is learning.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Those standpat politicians who have started a Roosevelt "boom" for 1912 to counteract the La Follette movement ought to engage in some less dangerous pastime, such as thawing dynamite, or blowing into the muzzle of a shotgun that isn't loaded.—Kansas City Times.

North Carolina is called upon just at this season to supply Northern markets with holly and huckleberries and Sampson county, the community to which the State looks to supply the demand, reports that the shipments of both are enormous this year. It is very difficult to find anything that North Carolina is not producing and finding a ready market for now.—Charlotte Observer.

It is not likely that Russia will pay any attention to the action of the United States should the resolution abrogating the treaty be finally adopted, as the United States will merely give notice and then stop, while trade will go on as formerly, and that is the main consideration. Russian visitors, but not Russian emigrants will come, and if allowed to land will live here without hindrance. Trade can be carried on without any diplomatic relations whatever.—New Orleans Picayune.

It appears, from a story printed in the Shipping Gazette of London, that wireless calls for help from the steamship Delhi, when sue went on the rocks, were heard at the station at Gibraltar, but because the Delhi was a merchant vessel and not a naval vessel no attention was paid to the call. The French cruiser, Friant, however, heard the call and hurried to the rescue. Later the British officials at Gibraltar learned, by way of Cadiz, that the King's sister was on board the Delhi, and became almost panic-stricken. The inference from the incident, so it is said, is that the British wireless stations are for the benefit only of naval vessels, unless perchance a merchant vessel has royalty on board.—Savannah News.

Charlotte people have been very much interested in the announcement emanating from Washington and New York that the Norfolk Southern Railroad was definitely planning to build into Charlotte. The route to Charlotte will be via Troy, Albemarle and Concord, according to the report. The route from Raleigh will be via Fuquay Springs, on the Raleigh & Southport, thence to Colon, and on to Troy. The link from Fuquay Springs to Colon is yet to be constructed. From Colon to Troy there is the Durham & Charlotte Railroad, while the link from Troy to Charlotte will have to be constructed. In its course from Raleigh to Charlotte the Norfolk Southern will have connections with the Seaboard, the Atlantic Coast Line, the Southern and the Southbound the later operated by the Norfolk & Western and the Coast Line in conjunction. There will be a direct line not only from Charlotte to Raleigh but on to Norfolk, with the probability of a direct line within a comparatively short while to Wilmington and Southport. The line from Norfolk to Charlotte will have a number of feeders extending into practically every section of North Carolina as far west as Charlotte and this will put Charlotte into more direct touch with a very large part of the State, largely increasing the importance of this city as a commercial center. It is known that the Norfolk-Southern has powerful financial backing, because such was required to purchase the Aberdeen & Asheboro lines, the Durham & Charlotte road from Colon to Troy and the Raleigh & Southport. It is understood now that the Rockefeller interests which own the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound road, connecting Chicago and the Pacific coast, are behind the Norfolk-Southern.—Charlotte Chronicle.

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 19.—David Fitzhugh May, during "readjuster" days in Virginia, figure of prominence in State politics, four years a member of the State Legislature and one time superintendent of the Central State Hospital, died here today aged 77 years. He was a staunch supporter of General William Mahone, who largely through Dr. May's efforts became United States Senator from Virginia on the readjuster ticket.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 19.—The Superior Court judges of Georgia met in the State capitol this morning to discuss changes in the procedure in criminal cases in order to expediate the wheels of justice. Important changes in the criminal code are expected to be recommended to the next Legislature. The meeting is the result of an invitation from the last Legislature. The judges are guests of the Atlanta Bar Association.

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MANY MATTERS CONSIDERED

Regular Weekly Meeting Yesterday Afternoon of the City Council. Various Matters Before the Body to Consider.

The regular weekly session of the City Council yesterday afternoon was featured by the consideration of and action upon a number of matters of more or less interest and importance. Probably the real feature of the session was the fact that the body was in session for more than two hours and practically all of this time was advantageously utilized—something that cannot be said of all the sessions which have been held.

Mayor Smith presided with all members in attendance; also Capt. Thos. D. Meares, city clerk and treasurer; City Attorneys Herbert McClammy and Geo. L. Peschau; Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt, city superintendent of health; Mr. F. F. Pillett, city engineer; W. P. Stacy, Esq., Mr. Theo. Empie, Mr. Chas. N. Evans, and Mr. George Hutaff. The first matter to claim the attention of the body was the reading of a communication from Mr. C. D. Maffitt, owner of the building on the northeast corner of Water and Princess street, steps leading to the second story of which building project on the sidewalk. The communication was in reply to a notice given by the chief of police upon the instruction of the Council that the steps must be moved within a given length of time. Mr. Maffitt said that the second floor was rented until October 1st of next year with the understanding that the steps were to be used in getting to and from the rooms and that if he is required to remove them before October 1st he will look to the city for the amount of rent for the period intervening. He said, however, that if Council would wait until after October 1st he would gladly co-operate with the Council in its endeavor to clear the sidewalk of all obstruction. The Council took no action on the communication and the police department is to be governed by the previous action of the body.

Application of David R. Hines for a license to conduct a restaurant at No. 323 South Seventh street, was deferred until the next meeting. A petition from citizens recommending the granting of the license was read.

There was a communication from the oyster dealers at the Front street market, who took exception to a recent statement of Dr. Nesbitt, city superintendent of health, that the dealers opened oysters with their hands. The communication stated that a spoon is used for this purpose. The matter was referred to Mayor Smith, who has charge of the market.

Mr. Oscar Pearsall wrote the Council a letter with reference to a notice from the street department that he pave his property on Third street, known as Colonial Inn property, with granolithis, stating that he had recently put down a new and substantial paving and that if Council desired to put down granolithic he had no objection, but thought that so far as he was concerned that the present paving is sufficient. Later in the meeting Council adopted the following, upon motion of Councilman P. Q. Moore, seconded by Councilman W. E. Perdew:

"Resolved, by the Council, That it has received with gratification the many requests from property owners to have sidewalks laid in front of their lots, such requests being in response to notices sent out by the Council in conformity with the Act of the Legislature. The Council notes with pleasure the cheerful willingness with which it is being aided in its efforts to promote the comfort of the people and add to the beauty of the city.

"Resolved, further, That it is not deemed necessary to reply individually to the few objections that have been made, but it may be well in this manner to call the attention of all citizens to the desire of the Council, in its exercise of the authority conferred upon it by the Act of the Legislature, to secure, at the least possible inconvenience to the property owners affected, a complete, substantial, and continuous line of sidewalks on all improved streets. This is the purpose of the Council, and inasmuch as our present street laws do not impose upon abutting owners any part of the cost of street improvements, it is hoped that all will meet cheerfully the comparatively slight cost of good sidewalks."

The foimal application of the Atlantic Coast Line for permission to lay a side track from the belt line to the plant of the Carolina Metal Products Co., was before the Council and was granted. Mr. Empie, president of the company, stated that it is hoped to have the plant running by February 1st.

Councilman P. Q. Moore and W. E. Perdew named at the last meeting as a special committee to confer with Atlantic Coast Line officials with reference to the construction of a road from Ninth street and the railroad to the plant of the Wynnewood Lumber Company, had not yet been able to get a meeting with the railroad officials. They stated that they inferred from the remarks of Mr. Junius Davis at the last meeting that the railroad officials would notify the committee when they are ready to visit the section and go over the matter. The committee promised to take up the matter Wednesday, of next week.

In reply to a question of Mayor Smith, Councilman B. C. Moore, in charge of the Department of Public Safety, stated that he had not yet conferred with the civil service commission in regard to the matter contained in a communication from the commission and read at the last meeting. The Mayor asked that he attend to the matter right away and give the commission some answer to the question raised in the communication.

City Attorney Herbert McClammy and Capt. Meares made a report to the Council of their work in New York City last week in arranging the details of the sale of the $400,000 worth of municipal bonds, $300,000 to the Southern National Bank and $100,000 to the Atlantic Trust & Banking Co. It is hoped to have the money from the bonds by January 1st.

"Horrible Situation."

Mr. Chas. N. Evans, president of the Southern National Bank, appeared before the Council to call attention to what he referred to as "the horrible situation of inadequate police force." He said that he did not mean any reflection upon Councilman B. C. Moore, in charge of the department, nor upon the men who compose the force, but rather he desired to call attention to insufficient number of officers and absence of rapid means of transportation in answering a call, citing a concrete incident of where it took two officers 18 minutes to answer a call for their services. This call as it happened was sent in from Mr. Evans' house, No. 914 Market street, some nights ago on account of several persons fighting and acting disorderly in the street in front of his home. No arrests were made even after the police arrived, although Mr. Evans pointed out two negroes who had been cursing and also pointed to a wagon in which the white fellows who had been causing trouble were riding. The failure of the officers to make an arrest was justified by the head of the police department on the ground that they did not see the offense committed and could not make the arrest without a warrant. It was admitted, however, that it was a question of whether circumstances did not warrant an arrest anyway, and Councilman Moore assured Mr. Evans that he would look into the matter and would continue to use his best efforts to improve the service. Mr. Evans having complained that conditions on Market street are horrible every night, Saturday night especially Councilman Moore promised an officer to do special duty on Market street on Saturday nights from 7 to 10 o'clock or longer.

In answering the call mentioned above the police, Mr. Evans said, used the street car, which, was the most rapid means of transportation at their disposal. It is a well-known fact that many minutes elapse between the receipt of a call at police headquarters and the arrival of an officer at the scene and in many cases, as was done in Mr. Evans' case, a second and sometimes third call is made so long does the officer seem to be in arriving. In most cases the officer is making as good time as possible, for he either has to wait for a street car or go afoot. This only emphasizes the need of an auto-patrol wagon, or an automobile anyway, for use in the police department. The motorcycle purchased some months ago has been of no known benefit to the department, but it has been suggested that the money put in this machine would go a long ways toward buying a serviceable car. However, this was not brought up at the meeting yesterday.

Members of Council spoke of the fact that the community is infested with several bands of Gypsies and all agreed that the nomads should be run out if it could be done.

The formal resolutions providing for the sale of $300,000 worth of street improvement bonds to the Southern National Bank and $100,000 worth of water and sewerage bonds to the Atlantic Trust & Banking Co., were adopted by the Council.

Having been called away from the meeting Iredell Meares, Esq., counsel for the bondholders of the Wilmington Sewerage Co., left a memorandum with Mayor Joseph D Smith asking that he request Council to let him have a copy of Dr. Nesbitt's report of an examination of the sewerage system. Members of Council could see no objection to Mr. Meares having a copy of the report and it was ordered that he be given one. Dr. Nesbitt remarked that the report contains nothing except that which was found to exist in the examination of the plant. The report, after the criticisms which are most likely to be made by the sewerage company, have been received, will be forwarded to Col. Ludlow, of the State Board of Health. It is understood that the reason Mr. Meares did not submit his proposition to sell the sewerage system at the meeting yesterday is that he desires to read the report of Dr. Nesbitt before submitting the proposition. It is understood that Mr. Meares expects to engage Capt. Walter MacRae to make examination and report of the sewerage plant. The Council is willing to be governed by his report.

As to Pawnbrokers.

The following ordinance relative to pawnbrokers was offered and unanimously adopted:

"1. That all pawnbrokers doing business in the City of Wilmington, shall furnish each day to the desk Sergeant or officer on duty at police headquarters, a full detailed, and complete list of every article taken in pawn by them, or bought by them, giving a full description of the same, including the material, maker, marks, number, brand, monogram, and letters of every kind on such article or articles, so pawned or bought, and they shall keep a daily record, at their several places of business, showing from whom all such articles are received and to whom sold, which record or records shall at all times, during business hours, be open for the examination and inspection of the chief of police, any policeman or other lawful officer. Every pawnbroker shall have his goods arranged in stock so as to enable any lawful officer to readily inspect the same.

"2. No pawnbroker shall, directly or indirectly, knowingly buy or receive in pawn, any article from any minor or apprentice, without the written consent of the parent or guardian of such minor or of the master of such apprentice, which written consent shall be carefully preserved by said pawnbroker as evidence of his right to buy or receive in pawn such article from such minor or apprentice.

"3. No article received in pawn or bought by a pawnbroker, within the city, shall be disposed of or removed, from his place of business, within 36 hours from the time of the report of the same to police headquarters as provided for in Section 1 hereof.

"4. Any pawnbroker, or person in control or charge of any pawnshop, neglecting, failing or refusing to comply with any provision of this ordinance shall be fined fifty dollars for every such offence; provided further, that any pawnbroker upon a second conviction for a violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall also forfeit his license to do such business within the city."

The ordinance becomes effective in 10 days, it was stated at the meeting.

A proposed ordinance came up from the health department providing for the office of sewer and house drain inspector and defining his duties, but action was deferred until the next meeting, when Council will consider the matter of abolishing the office of plumbing inspector and incorporating his duties into the work of the proposed sewer and drain inspector. The idea is to employ Mr. Mathers, of the health department, an experienced engineer for this work, at a salary of $100 a month, an increase of $35 a month over his present salary. The need of an inspector of sewers and house drains was emphasized by a statement made by Councilman P. Q. Moore, who said that he was perfectly astonished a few days ago to find in the sewer manhole at Eighth and MacRae street filth several feet deep. The opinion is growing that the inadequate sewerage system was largely responsible for the typhoid fever here the past Summer.

At the request of Councilman Tiencken, in charge of the Department of Accounts and Finance, the matter of collecting for the scavenger work in the sanitary department was transferred to that department from the treasury department, it being the opinion of Councilman Tiencke that money for this service could more easily be collected by health officers than by the collector from the treasury department.

Estimate for Sewerage Plant

Councilman Perdew, of the Water and Sewerage Department, made a most refreshing report as to the sewerage proposition and one that was cheerfully received by the members. Some days ago Mr. Perdew held a conference with Mr. Bailey, who had charge of the improvement at the pumping station, who expects to submit a bid to the city in a few days for constructing a new sewerage system according to the plans prepared by Hazelhurst & Andreson. Mr Bailey told Councilman Perdew that if the city did not have enough money to complete the plant his firm would be glad to take notes, for the balance, the longer the term the better. The offer is to be open for acceptance any time within four months. Accompanying the formal proposition will be a bond to guarantee performance of the contract should one be entered into by the city. Mr. Bailey said that he would be willing for his proposition to remain on file with the city, the figures to be known only to the Council, until after bids of other bidders had been opened. In other words, he is willing to make the city a proposition to build the plant and is willing that this proposition take its chances with propositions that may be submitted by competitors. Mr. Perdew said that Mr. Bailey has the plans drawn by Hazlehurst & Anderson and that he expects figures to be submitted within a week or ten days. Members of the Council said that the proposition sounds good to them.

Some one suggested to Councilman P. Q. Moore to stop the street work until the sewerage matter is settled. Councilman Moore's reply was that he would not stop the street work until he was forced to by the Council. He intimated that nothing short of an injunction would cause him to further delay the street improvement. Mayor Smith said that he did not know but that he was with the Councilman in his position.

Councilman P. Q. Moore brought up the ordinance prohibiting the sale of firecrackers over four inches in length. He had a firecracker, the "business end of which," as he termed it, is only four inches long, he said, but the paper, or pasteboard, is five inches long. He said that the merchants had ordered four-inch firecrackers and that is what was sent them. In his opinion they are four-inch crackers. Upon motion the matter was referred to Councilman B. C. Moore.

Upon recommendation of Councilman B. C. Moore the contract for improving 15th street from Market to Rankin and from Market to Dock streets was let to Mr. F. T. McGuire, of Norfolk, Va., whose bid was $1.39 a square yard of asphalt macadam. Councilman Moore moved that the same contractor be given the contract to improve Dock street, from 15th to 17th street.

Councilman P Q. Moore reported that Mr. R. O. Grant, superintendent of streets, desired and would be given a vacation of two weeks, and Councilman B. C. Moore reported that Mr. E. Piner, chief health officer, would be given a week's vacation, beginning Tuesday of next week.

Coupons on bonds to the amount of $757.50 were destroyed. All were for water and sewerage except $175 which were for general bond account.

Then occurred the most pleasing feature of the session. Councilman P. Q. Moore who absented himself from the room a few minutes before returned with something in his hands That which he carried was handed to Geo. L. Peschau, Esq., assistant city attorney, to be formally presented. It was a gift from the City Council to Mr. F. F. Pillett, city engineer, who returned to the city Monday from Vicksburg, Miss., where he claimed a fair bride. The gift was a silver waiter and was presented by Mr Peschau in a neat speech and gracefully accepted by Mr. Pillett. After the reading of bills for current expenses the Council adjourned.

John Nixon Dead.

John Lewis Nixon, colored, who was arrested at the Lighthouse on Wrightsville Sound, where he had worked for years, on papers from the office of the Clerk of the Court some days ago, and placed in jail to await an investigation into his mental condition, and who was found the next day to be suffering from a severe case of pneumonia, died of the disease at the James Walker Memorial Hospital yesterday. The physician who examined Nixon at the Court House and who pronounced his case pneumonia, stated at the time that the man had very little chance to recover after having been confined in the cold, damp jail.

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VAGRANTS SENT TO THE ROADS

Six Negroes Got 30 Days Each in Recorder's Court Yesterday---Two Other Road Sentences---The Godwin Case

The vagrancy campaign that is being waged by the police in an effort to break up some of the existing lawlessness bore its first fruits in the Recorder's court yesterday morning when six negroes were sentenced to the roads for 30 days each on being found guilty of having no visible means of support. Aside from these, two other road sentences were imposed, one of six months for receiving stolen goods knowing them to have been stolen and the other for six months for carrying a concealed weapon.

William Townsend, colored, known to the police as "Bill," and who, in their estimation, is a "bad nigger," was sentenced to the roads for six months for carrying a miniature edition of a gatling gun in his pockets. The negro was arrested on a charge of vagrancy but when searched the big revolver was disclosed.

Robert Swinton, alias "Reverend," who was recently released from the county roads after completing a sentence for disorderly conduct, was sent back for six months for receiving stolen goods knowing them to have been stolen. He was found guilty of having helpde "Son" Darling, of police court fame, when the latter stole a pair of shoes from a negro woman some days ago. Darling is now serving a five-year sentence on the roads and will no doubt extend a cordial welcome to his partner in crime, who can help him with a robbery or minister to his spiritual wants, as the case may be.

David McKay, William Peterson, Luther Powell, Judson Hart, Edgar Murphy and Oscar Moseley, all colored, were given sentences of 30 days each on the county roads for vagrancy. The negroes are among the first caught in the drag net the police are stretching over the city and if the campaign is as fruitful as it promises to be, the county road force will likely be considerably agumented. Recorder Furlong told the negroes that if they could show that they have employment, or had had employment in a time not unreasonably remote, he would suspend judgment.

James Gore, colored, was found guilty of carrying a concealed weapon and was fined $10 and costs. This is a much lighter fine than the offence usually calls for, but it was shown that Gore had only bought the revolver Monday afternoon and that he had left it at the store where he worked until he started home. He said that he had bought it because of the many burglaries and similar crimes that have occurred lately, and that he wanted to be prepared if anyone ed to enter his house. Mr. G. C. Simmons, the gun and locksmith, from whom the negro purchased the revolver, was present and corroborated his testimony as to the purchase. In the light of these circumstances Recorder Furlong did not feel justified in placing the usual heavy fine on the negro.

James Ingram, colored, charged with being drunk, and Nick Wright, also colored, charged with being drunk and disorderly, were given their choice of paying fines of $5 and costs or serving 30 days on the county roads. Up to a late hour yesterday afternoon they had not paid the fines and it is probable that they will be forced to go to the roads.

Clyde Kennedy, white, was fined $10 and costs for disorderly conduct; Amos Talley, colored, $5 and costs for being drunk and disorderly; Jeanette White and Betsy Mills, colored, were found not guilty of a charge of affray and Gertrude Walters, colored, was found not guilty of running a disorderly house.

The case of State against H. Mack Godwin, charged with an assault with a deadly weapon upon F. H. Jones, was called and Godwin failed to respond to his name. A capias was ordered. The case has been postponed time and again, upon certificates from Godwin's physician to the effect that he was too sick to attend court, and a subpoena was issued for the physician to appear in court and explain just what was the matter with the defendant. Dr. F. H. Russell, the physician, sent word when the case was called one day last week, following the issuing of the subpoena, that he had been called to Masonboro Sound to attend a patient and could not be present. It is rumored on the streets that Godwin has left the city. If such is the case it will probably be found out, now that a capias has been ordered.

A large number of cases are already slated to come up today, having been continued from Monday, and some of them are of more than passing interest. With thes and the many defendants who were corralled by the police yesterday and last night prospects are for another busy session today.

THE WATER FRONT

Arrivals at The Port — Yesterday's Shipping News

Schooner Bayard Hopkins arrived from Philadelphia with a cargo of fertilizer for Wilmington Compress & Warehouse Co.

Schooner Sylvia C. Hall arrived bringing a cargo of plaster from New York for the Seaboard Air Line Railroad.

The S. O. Barge No. 57, arrived with a cargo of oil for the Standard Oil Company.

Tug Margaret of Baltimore, arrived Sunday to tow the barge Potomac to Wiggins, S. C., where it will take on a cargo of lumber.

The river steamers Duplin, of Smith's Bridge, and City of Fayetteville, of Fayetteville, arrived and cleared.

Yesterday's Baltimore Sun says: "C. C. Paul & Co., yesterday cleared for Wilmington, N. C., the new schooner Mary S. Eskridge, just turned out from the yard of the Seaford Marine Railway Company, of Seaford, Del. The Eskridge is bearing her maiden cargo, which comprises 655 tons of fertilizer. Capt. Walter W. Griffith is master of the new vessel."

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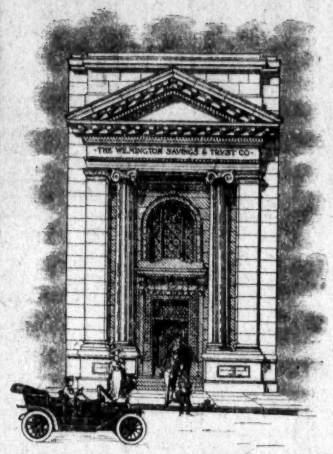

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GYPSY LEADER IN TROUBLE

Stephen John Arrested in Brunswick County on Bench Warrant From Pulaski County, Arkansas—Perjury the Charge

On a warrant issued by Justice Harriss upon receipt of a bench warrant from the Superior Court of Pulaski county, Arkansas, Sheriff Knox, of Brunswick county, assisted by Deputies Horne and Cox, from this county, yesterday arrested Steve John, one of the leaders of the tribe of Gypsies that left this city only a few days ago to pitch their camp in Brunswick county. The warrant alleges perjury and John was placed in jail here to await extradition papers from the Governor.

Magistrate Harriss received the warrant Monday and immediately set about locating the Gypsy. He learned that the camp had been moved from the southern part of the city to the vicinity of the bridge over Brunswick river, in the adjoining county, several miles from Wilmington. Justice Harriss got into communication with Sheriff Knox, of Brunswick county, who was in the city, and Deputies Horne and Cox were sent to assist him. The arrest was made about day light yesterday.

John was held in the office of Magistrate Harriss yesterday morning and later in the day was committed to jail. Justice Harriss refused offers of bail for the man, as the statutes covering the case do not allow this. Arthur Cobb, Esq., representing the Gypsy, made strenuous efforts to get his client out, and at last telegraphed asking Governor Kitchin to order the man to be brought to Raleigh, before him, in order that he might hear him. Mr. Cobb's idea was to get the Governor to refuse extradition papers. Late yesterday afternoon, however, Sheriff S. P. Cowan received a telegram from Governor Kitchin instructing him to hold John in jail until extradition papers are received It is understood that an officer has already left Arkansas for Raleigh, and it is likely that he will make requisition upon the Governor for extradition papers.

Stephen John is one of the leaders of the tribe that is now encamped in Brunswick county and he is also about the most prepossessing looking of the whole tribe. He appears to be a man of middle age, has long whiskers, a broad and intelligent forehead and a full, even face. His conduct is very dignified and he contends that he will be able to clear himself of the charge. His fellow leaders, including Gregory John, who claims to be king of the Gypsies, were busy all day yesterday in efforts to get him out on bail. One of them went to Sheriff Cowan yesterday and offered to put up $1,000 bond and to hire an officer to go about with the prisoner if the officers would only let him out of jail. Of course, the offer was refused. It was also stated that the Gypsies let it be understood that they would furnish $10,000 cash bond if their leader could be released.

Gregory John stated yesterday that Stephen John was in North Carolina at the time the alleged perjury was committed and that it is a case of mistaken identity.

Mr. Cobb left last night for Raleigh, where he will see the Governor with a view of resisting extradition papers, and Justice Harriss sent a certified copy of all the papers in the proceedings, including the bench warrant from Arkansas and the warrant on which the arrest was made, to the Governor, as is required by statute.

Ex-Sheriff Stedman's Bank

The Fayetteville Observer of yesterday afternoon says:

"The other day we published the fact that the Cumberland Savings & Trust Company had declared a quarterly dividend of 1 1-2 per cent. In addition to this dividend, for which $4,000 was reserved, a surplus of $5,000 was set aside. This is a fine showing for the Cumberland Savings & Trust Company."

"The Fishermaid of Ballydavid"

A tale of an Irish fishing village and the son of a New York broker. At The Grand Theatre today. **

Fire Works, Fire Works. A carload, they must be sold, our prices are right. Farris Bakery, 121 So. Front. Also call at Annex, 131 Market. de 18-6t

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All goods are well displayed, marked in plain figures, and are One Price to All.

SOUVENIRS.

We have a Souvenir for all customers this week in appreciation of their patronage for the past year—Hat Brushes, Tight-Wad Purses, Wall Pocket Calendars, Etc.. Christmas Presents of the Substantial Kind—not Toys, but Useful Articles.

Boys' Suits—sizes up to 18—Knickerbocker split-hip trousers in Cashmeres, Serges and Worsteds; all colors; prices from $3.50 to $12.50.

Holeproof Socks and Stockings, in Holiday Boxes—Sox, half doz. $1.50; Stockings, half doz. $2.00.

Men's and Young Men's Suits, single and double breasted, full fashioned trousers, in blacks, blue serges, novelty suitings and worsteds—a strong line, from $10.00 to $25.00.

SPECIAL HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

Silk Stockings, full-fashioned, packed two pair in fancy box. An elegant present. Per box, only $1.00.

Silk Necktie and Silk Sox to match, packed in holiday boxes, nice present for men and boys. Per box, only $1.00.

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Ladies' Felt Slippers, all colors . . . . . $1.00 to $1.50
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Ladies' White Buckskin Button Boots . . $4.50 to $5.00
Men's Felt Slippers, black $1.50
Men's Kid Opera Slippers, black and tan. $1.50 and $1.75
Men's Dancing Pumps, patent and gun metal . . $2.50
Puttee Riding Leggins . . . . . $3.50 and $4.00

STORE OPEN EVENINGS THIS WEEK.

HEWLETT & PRICE

Cheapest for Cash.
—109 Market Street.—

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Mrs. Helen Gantt Mims, of Whiteville, spent yesterday in the city on a shopping trip.

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Mrs. H. K. White was in the city yesterday on her way from Washington, D. C., to Southport.

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The Music Department of Sorosis will hold its regular monthly meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Masonic Temple. All members are urged to attend.

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Mrs. George B. Brooks, of Charlestown, W. Va., arrived yesterday to spend the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. Robert H. McKoy, on South Third street.

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Mrs. M. O. Callaway, mother of Mrs. A. D. McClure, arrived Monday night from Spartanburg, S. C., where she spent some time with her other daughter, Mrs. W. S. Glenn, and will be here for the remainder of the Winter.

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Holders of season tickets to the Boys' Brigade Lyceum Course are reminded that the sale of reserved seats for the entertainment to be given tomorrow night when Mr. Karl Jansen is the attraction begins at Dosher Bros. this morning and continues through tomorrow.

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Washington, Dec. 19.—Professor Joseph A. Holmes, chief of the bureau of mines, entertained Representatives Page and Webb of North Carolina, and Wilson of Pennsylvania, at dinner at his home on Quarry road Sunday evening. Mrs. Holmes and children will spend Christmas in Wilmington with her brother.

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Yesterday's Baltimore Sun has the following in its social column that will be read with interest by many Wilmington friends: "Mr. and Mrs. Stephen J. Van Lill, Sr., of Edmondson avenue, Cantonsville, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Anna Van Lill, to Mr. Joseph King Corbett, formerly of Wilmington, N. C., but now of Baltimore. The ceremony will take place at St. Mark's Catholic church on January 6th."

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Mr. J. A. Springer returned yesterday morning from Washington, D. C., where he attended the National Rivers and Harbors Congress early in December and accompanied Mrs. Springer to Washington to consult a specialist. Friends will regret to know that an operation was considered necessary, but will be delighted to know that Mrs. Springer is recovering nicely and hopes to be able to leav the hospital in Washington on Sunday of the coming week.

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Mr. Charles A. Rourk, son of Mrs. E. E. Rourk, No. 303 North Second street, leaves today for Orlando, Fla., where he will claim Miss Lenoir McDowell, a daughter of one of the leading merchants of that city and a most charming young woman, as his bride. Mr. Rourk is connected with the transportation department of the Atlantic Coast Line and is a most popular young man in the city. He and his bride will reside here and will be at home to friends at No. 303 North Second street, after Sunday, December 24th. Mrs. Rourk will be welcomed to the city.

WITH STREET DEPARTMENT.

Mr. U. J. Eckman, of Philadelphia, Accepts Position With City.

Mr. U. J. Eckman, an expert in asphalt road construction, has accepted a position with the department of streets, having been made superintendent of asphalt and macadam roadways, and will have entire charge of this work. Councilman P. Q. Moore, in charge of the Department of Streets and Wharves, offered Mr. Eckman the position some time ago and the acceptance was filed immediately by wire.

The new superintendent of asphalt and macadam roadways came here some weeks ago in the interests of the Barber Asphalt Company, of Philadelphia. He had charge of the laying of the granite rock asphalt pavement on Fifth, from Market to Princess streets, and the manner in which he performed his duties demonstrated to Councilman Moore that he would be a valuable man to have in his department.

Mr. Eckman has already entered upon his duties, having been engaged for the past few days in superintending the laying of the pavement on Fifth, between Market and Orange. This work will be continued on out to Castle street, and then will be resumed on Princess street, going north to Nixon.

HONORS AWARDED YESTERDAY.

High School Football Players Receive Stars and Letters.

At the morning exercises in the chapel of the Wilmington High School yesterday the list of names of the members of the football team entitled to stars and letters was read. The following, who received both stars and letters, were members of the 1910 team as well as this year's eleven: Robert Burnett, Charles Burnett, Frank Meier and John Wells. Those receiving letters were Nash Penny, William Munroe, Robert Williams, Virginius Hall, Harry Shaw and Ralph Herring. The following were given honorable mention for aiding to make the team what it was: Walter Hashagen, Roderick Houston, Robert Fryer, Nathan Silverman, Wallace Smith, Robert Stone, Chas. Taylor and Johnson.

Some of the members of the team did not receive letters because they either broke training or did not play in the required number of games. All the men did fine work and the coach and student body generally are proud of the record made. Plans are already under way for next year's work and it is expected that the team will be even better than this year's.

FUNERAL NOTICE

The funeral of the late MRS. ALICE CAROLINE YATES, beloved wife of Mr. Chas. W. Yates, will be conducted at 11 o'clock this (Wednesday) morning from the family residence, No. 110 North Fourth street.

Interment in Oakdale cemetery. Friends and acquaintances of the family respectfully invited to attend.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Herbert Hankins, colored, was arrested yesterday morning by the police on a charge of vagrancy. The negro had $20 in cash on his person.

—Editorial squib in yesterday's Charlotte Observer: "Wilmington continues to keep before our eyes with crime records, but we have heard mightly little from Greensboro since the trip hammer incident."

—Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: Paul Caase to B. O. Stone, for $10 and other considerations, lot on Meadow, 90 feet west of 12th street, 30x75 feet in size; Margaret Y. McKoy and others to E. P. H. Strunck and wife, for $100 and other considerations, lot on southeast corner of Front and Orange streets, 61 1-2x83 feet in size.

—Coming with the compliments of the Eureka Dye Works in general, and "Charlie" Myers in particular, the Star has received a very pretty calendar for the New Year. On a rich background the artist has executed an excellent example of the fair sex, seated beside a rippling brook, engaged in the pastime of fishing—for fish. The whole is done in colors and will be an ornament wherever left.

HANDSOME NEW CADILLAC.

"The Last Word" in Automobile Elegancy and Construction Here.

Mr. W. D. MacMillan, Jr., the well known local dealer, has just received through the A. J. McKinnon Co., State agents of Maxton, N. C., two of the new and magnificent Cadillac self-starting touring cars for 1912. One of these has been delivered to Mr. C. W. Polvogt, of the C. W. Polvogt Co., and the other, which arrived only yesterday, is kept by Mr. MacMillan as a demonstration car. It is superbly upholstered, equipped with 35 horsepower motor, self-starting device that guarantees 99 per cent. efficiency, electric lights and every other device known to modern automobile construction. In fact, the Cadillac 1912 is the "last word" in motor car building and all who have seen either the car delivered to Mr. Polvogt or the one now used by Mr. MacMillan for demonstration purposes are enthusiastic in their praise of this new star in the constellation of automobile beauty and construction. On the dash of this new and handsome car are gasoline guage, oil indicator, carburetor primer, speedometer and light buttons, so that all the owner of this new and handsome car has to do is to remain in the seat and enjoy automobile luxury that is unsurpassed by any car ever offered to the trale. Automobile enthusiasts are invited to call on Mr. MacMillan and see the new Cadillac for 1912.

TWO BIRDS WITH ONE STONE.

Constable Savage Brought Back Two Prisoners From Goldsboro.

Constable W. B. Savage returned to the city last evening from Goldsboro with two prisoners, Fred Hennegan, alias John Lewis, colored, wanted here for store-breaking, and Blain Sloan, colored, wanted on a charge of selling cocaine. The prisoners were lodged in jail and will be given preliminary hearing before Justice Harriss.

Hennegan is alleged to have broken into a pressing club at Second and Wrights streets about a year ago and to have stolen a number of suits of clothes. The man was arrested in Goldsboro and had the stolen clothes in his possession, it is alleged, but he was also wanted there on a charge of larceny and was sent to the roads for a term of 12 months, which was completed Monday. On instructions from Justice Harriss he was held and Constable Savage went to bring him back.

After his arrival in Goldsboro Mr. Savage found Blain Sloan, who disappeared from this city a few days ago when the officers were looking for him with a warrant charging him with selling cocaine. The officer immediately placed Sloan under arrest and thereby killed two birds with one stone on his trip.

FUNERAL OF MRS. YATES.

Services at 11 O'clock This Morning From Family Residence.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Alice Caroline Yates, wife of Mr. Chas. W. Yates, whose sad death occurred Monday at 12 o'clock, midnight, will be conducted at 11 o'clock this morning from the family residence, No. 110 North Fourth street, and the interment will be in Oakdale cemetery. The services will be by Rev. J. C. Wooten, pastor of Grace M. E. Church, of which Mrs. Yates was so long a devoted member.

Yesterday there were many callers at the saddened home to pay their respects and to tender condolences to the deeply bereaved members of the family and many telegrams and messages of sympathy were received from friends outside the city. Mrs. Yates was universally loved by all in the circle of her acquaintance and those who are bereft of her kindly presence and the Christian influence of her long and deeply consecrated life, have the tenderest sympathy of all.

REV. W. A. JENKINS DEAD.

Methodist Minister Passes at Bailey's Nash County.

Many friends in this city and section will be deeply grieved to learn of the death of Rev. W. A. Jenkins, which occurred at Bailey's, Nash county, yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. Mr. Jenkins had only recently been transferred to Bailey's from Robeson county, where he was formerly stationed, at the last Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

The deceased is survived by his wife and five sons. Mrs. Jenkins is the daughter of the late Mr. A. H. Evans, of Brunswick county, and she and her husband are well known there as well as elsewhere in the State. The bereaved ones will have the sincere sympathy of many friends in their great loss.

The remains will be brought to this city on the 9:40 train this morning and will be taken to Zion Church, Town Creek, Brunswick county, where the funeral services will be held. Interment will be made in the church yard burying ground.

PILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS.
Your druggist will refund money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

"Thrilling Story of Moonshining"

Scenes laid in the Kenutcky hills, a drama of the illicit traffic in liquor. First presentation of Essanay photoplay at The Grand Theatre today. **

MRS. LAURA SHEPARD DEAD

Passed Away Yesterday Evening at James Walker Memorial Hospital

Many friends will hear with sorrow of the death of Mrs. Laura T. Shepard, widow of the late Mr. Henry W. Shepard, of this city, which occurred at 7:45 o'clock last night at the James Walker Memorial Hospital after an illness of but one week with pneumonia. Mrs. Shepard was in the 71st year of her age and latterly had made her home in Waycross, Ga. She came here recently on a visit to relatives and it was while here that she suffered the attack of pneumonia from which she died. She is survived by one son, Mr. R. J. Shepard, of Waycross; four grandchildren, also of Waycross; one brother, Mr. Payton Lee, of Burgaw, and two sisters, Mrs. W. E. Sutton and Mrs. James Hodges, both of Wilmington. All the bereaved ones have the sympathy of many friends in their sorrow. The funeral arrangements will be announced later.

CHRISTMAS RUSH ON

Busy Doings at Police Headquarters Rogues' Gallery Started

The Christmas rush is on now at the police station and the officers are kept busy. From yesterday morning at 7 o'clock until last night at 10 19 arrests had been made, and at that time the end was not yet in sight. The unfortunates are charged with a wide variety of offenses, most of them, however, being alleged vagrants, drunks, drunk and disorderlies, and other minor charges. Several are charged with carrying concealed weapons.

An innovation was started in the police department yesterday when the rogues' gallery was instituted. The officials have decided to have all those charged with an offense more serious than "drunk" photographed, and they have a theory that this will enable them to keep tab on a certain element that they believe responsible for a large portion of the lawlessness here. Mr. J. W. Buck, the photographer, has been secured to do the work. About 15 negroes were "snapped" yesterday, "Bill" Townsend possessed of a somewhat shaky record already, having the honor of leading the list. "Bill" was tickled with the idea and cooly told the officers that he thought the plan a good one. The photographs will be placed on file for future use.

Among those arrested yesterday were: L. Huggins, colored, charged with the larceny of a length of chain from Mr. R. R. Stone, Officer J. W. Smith making the arrest; James Ward, colored, arrested by Patrolman Leon George, charged with carrying a concealed weapon in the form of a razor; W. Deen and E. D. Harriss, white, and Iziah Donaldson, colored, arrested by Patrolman Leon George, charged with gambling by shooting craps, and David Jones, colored, arrested by Patrolman W. R. Applebury, on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon, towit, a revolver.

Mr. J. H. SWINSON, JR., DEAD

Passed Away at the Home of His Parents Yesterday—Funeral

Mr. John H. Swinson, Jr., died yesterday afternoon about 2:15 o'clock, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs John H. Swinson, No. 406 Walnut street, following a period of failing health extending over four years. The young man was in the 32nd year of his life and had many friends who were deeply saddened to learn of his passing, despite the fact that they had known for some time that the end could not be far off.

Surviving are the father and mother of the deceased, three sisters, Mrs. H. W. Turrentine, Mrs. A. C. Boney and Mrs. A. B. McNair, and one brother, Mr. A. F. Swinson, all of Wilmington, and all of whom will have the tenderest sympathy of many friends in their dark hour of bereavement.

The funeral will be held from the residence at 3 o'clock this afternoon, conducted by Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure and Rev. Dr. J. H. Foster, and interment will be in Oakdale cemetery.

XMAS TRADE INCREASES

Another Beautiful Shopping Day Brings Out Large Crowds

If one had any doubt of the nearness of the gladsome season it must have been dispelled yesterday when more than the usual number of shoppers, men, women and children, were to be seen hurrying along the streets, many ladened with packages, and in the different stores making purchases from the large and varied assortment of Christmas goods. There were noticed a large number of people here yesterday from nearby towns and all made heavy purchases. The streets were thronged with shoppers from early in the morning until late in the afternoon. There remains only four more shopping days and these are most likely to be busy ones for the merchants and their employes.

No Robberies Monday Night.

For the first time in some days no robberies were reported to the police as occurring Monday night or early yesterday morning. Several calls were received from frightened householders, but each time it proved to be a false alarm. Heads of the department have learned, in an unofficial way, that attempts were made to rob the home of Mr. George Honnet, at Front and Nun streets, and the adjoining residence, occupied by Mr. H. C. McQueen, one night the latter part of last week. Mr. McQueen's kitchen was entered, but the robber could not get into the residence proper, and nothing was missed. It is also believed that nothing was secured at Mr. Honnet's home.

The Doll's Name.

The Polvogt Company announces that the name of the doll that attracted so much attention and admiration in their show window for two weeks was named Amelia, and same was awarded to Maude Bissinger, who was the fortunate one to guess her name on December 6th. There were over 2,000 guesses, six having guessed the correct name, but little Miss Maude Bissinger was the first one to guess it and we congratulate her upon being the fortunate one. **

Slumber Slippers.
Felt Slippers, Tourist Slippers, for Christmas presents at Peterson & Rulfs. 2t.

Amelia was the name of doll at Polvogt's. **

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. R. Register, of Vineland, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

—Mr. W. T. Bryan, formerly of this city, was here yesterday on a brief business trip.

—Mr. Jacob Powell, a leading business man of Wallace, spent Monday in the city on a business trip.

—Mr. Charles M. Galloway, a former Wilmingtonian, who for years has been residing in Greenville, S. C., has returned to this city, and will make his home with his daughter, Mrs. J. T. Howard, 414 Queen street.

—Mr. W. H. Banck, United States Junior Engineer, engaged in the work of raising the battleship Maine in Havana harbor, arrived in the city yesterday to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Otto Banck.

—Mr. Mermann S. Meredith, who went to Savannah, Ga., to identify the train robbers under arrest there, returned to the city yesterday morning. He will later return to Savannah to attend the preliminary trial.

—A number of Southport people were in the city yesterday, guests at The Orton. Among the number were Mr. and Mrs. C. Ed Taylor, Capt. and Mrs. J. B. Church, Miss Blanche Newton, Miss Josie Newton and W. H. Pyke.

—Among the guests at The Orton yesterday were A. M. Faison, Burgaw; Mrs. S. A. Smith and Miss Sallie Lee Smith, Elkton; T. A. Dewey, Thos. O'Berry and Nathan O'Berry, Goldsboro; R. J. Alderman, Hendersonville; H. T. Smith, Charlotte; P. C. Langston, Hamlet; L. Moseley, Greensboro; Everett P. Covington, Newbern; L. S. Christian, Durham.

For the Holidays

On account of the Christmas rush in the downtown district, the office of the Tidewater Power Co., 219-221 Princess street, will be kept open over night this week until 10 P. M. Men will be kept on duty until that hour to attend to any trouble with the gas or electric lights that may occur after the regular office hours.

SHIFTED TO ANOTHER COURT

Litigation Involving American Warehouse Co., Goes to Federal Court

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 19.—The scene of litigation involving the American Warehouse Company and its subsidiary companies shifted from the State to the Federal Court today when application was made by certain creditors for an order of adjudication in bankruptcy and the appointment of Federal receiver. Judge Boyd allowed the defendant company until December 27th to appear before him and show cause why bankruptcy papers should not be signed and asked that J. L. Clement, the receiver appointed by the State Court, appear before him tomorrow and make a statement of the affair. It is said that Mr. Clement will be the receiver of the Federal Court.

The American Warehouse Company is a large holding corporation and the present litigation involves more than $2,000,000.

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PAST CENTURY MARK.

Native North Carolinian Celebrates 102nd Birthday.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 19.—Joseph Lomax, organizer and first president of the Grand Rapids and Indiana Rilroad, newspaper publisher and the oldest Knight Templar in the country, celebrated his 102nd birthday at his home here today. Mr. Lomax was born in Stokes county, North Carolina.

New York, Dec. 19.—The board of aldermen voted unanimously this afternoon to pay doctors bills aggregating $19,600 for services to Mayor Gaynor after he was shot in Hoboken in August, 1910. The bills had been cut down $46,100. The mayor had offered to pay the bills from his private resources, it was said today but the physicians declined to accept payment from him and made out their bills to the city.

Cincinnati, Dec. 18.—Cincinnati police are watching for Robin C. Fargason, of Atlanta, a Southern Express Company messenger, who it is alleged blew a safe in the company's office at Griffin, Ga., and secured $10,000.

"The Fishermaid of Ballydavid"

A tale of an Irish fishing village and the son of a New York broker. At The Grand Theatre today. **

New York, Dec. 19. — Nathan Strauss, 54 years old, a wealthy manufacturer of briar pipes, committed suicide today by shooting himself through the mouth, in his apartment at 57th Street Hotel. He had been an invalid for the past four years but his brother-in-law, Jerome F. Foster, said that Mr. Strauss had apparently been in the best of spirits recently and except for his illness was in no trouble, his financial affairs being in the best of shape.

Slumber Slippers.
Felt Slippers, Tourist Slippers, for Christmas presents at Peterson & Rulfs. 2t.

Frankfort, Germany, Dec. 19.—The National six-day bicycle race which ended tonight was won by Walter Rutt and Johnann Stol, the German-Dutch team with 2,119 miles to their credit. The French team Miquel and Combes, finished second, while the German Ambassador team, composed of Stabe and Walthour, was third. Rutt and Stol captured the six-day race at Berlin last March, covering a distance of 2,118 miles.

Solid gold cuff links, scarf pins and tie clasp. Lockets and neck chains are some of my leaders. J. T. Burke, the Jeweler, No. 27 South Front street. de 3-tf.

GET A STIEFF FOR AN XMAS PRESENT THE PIANO WITH THE SWEET TONE. STANDS THIS CLIMATE BEST AND LASTS A LIFE-TIME.

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CHAS. M. STIEFF

No. 213 Princess Street. S. B. COLEY, Manager.

BUTTER

In anticipation of a LARGE XMAS TRADE, we have oversupplied ourselves with the best **Elgin Creamery Butter,** and must sell same under New York cost, and now offer 60 Small Tubs at **34 Cents Per Pound,** which is 5 cents under N. Y. price.

Have also a large stock of **Full Milk Cream Cheese,** at lower than the market price.

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Financial and Commercial

IRREGULARITY IN COTTON

Business in Way of Evening Up Over Today's Census Report—Close Steady With Some Advance.

New York, Dec. 19.—The cotton market was nervous and irregular today, with business largely in the way of evening up for over the census report tomorrow and with the close barely steady, but at a net advance of from 2 to 11 points.

The market opened steady, at a decline of 1@4 points in response to relatively easy cables and while prices rallied to a net advance of 1@3 points, right after the call on overnight covering orders and support from leading spot houses they soon weakened again, owing to Southern selling and realizing by recent buyers for a turn. The market sold off to a net decline of about 4@6 points under these offerings, working down a few points, but pressure became less aggressive against January, on a scale down, and as soon as the scattered offerings had been absorbed the market turned steadier on continued covering for over tomorrow's ginning report or the holidays, and renewed support from recent leading buyers. December led the second advance, selling about 12 points net higher and into new high ground for the movement, while the latter positions sold about 7 to 9 points above the closing figures of yesterday and reacted 4 or 5 points from the best in the last few minutes. December was relatively quiet all day, and seemed relatively easy, early, but later increased its premium over the January call to about 45 points.

It is reported that some of the local spot firms are working over time preparing cotton for delivery on December contracts, and the local stock is now increasing more rapidly, but the concentrated long interest still seems to dominate the December situation, so far as the local market is concerned. There was no spot news from the South, and early advances in leading Southern markets suggested no particular change in the situation, while the big port receipts for the day appeared to be offset by the expectation of heavy exports in the near future. Some of the Southern ports report congestion and it is said that in some cases steamship companies have been forced to put on extra steamers to handle the cotton shipments. Receipts today, 109,324, against 96,509 last week and 67,992 last year. Today's receipts at Galveston, 32,846, against 27,391 last year; and at New Orleans, 14,169, against 11,131 last year, and at Houston, 23,262, against 14,210 last year.

Spot closed quiet, 5 points higher; middling uplands, 9.50; do. gulf, 9.55; sales, 2,400 bales.

Futures closed barely steady.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan	8.79	8.82	8.88	8.90
Feb	8.82	8.94	8.94	8.94
Mar	8.93	9.03	8.92	9.01
Apr				9.07
May	9.16	9.03		9.12
June	9.08			9.17
July	9.14	9.25	9.13	9.21
Aug	9.14			9.21
Sept	9.16	9.27	9.17	9.25
Oct	9.24	9.33	9.22	9.31
Nov	9.26	9.31	9.31	9.34
Dec	9.18	9.34	9.16	9.35

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Steady, 9⅝; net receipts, 32,846; gross receipts, 32,846; sales, 453; stock, 464,323; Great Britain, 14,426.

New Orleans—Firm, 9¼; net receipts, 14,169; gross receipts, 14,247; sales, 2,882; stock, 298,320.

Mobile—Net receipts, 3,734; gross receipts, 3,734; stock, 15,400.

Savannah—Quiet, 8⅝; net receipts, 20,417; gross receipts, 20,428; sales, 3,138; stock, 300,451; constwise, 2,072.

Charleston—Quiet, 8⅞; net receipts, 2,310; gross receipts, 2,310; stock, 52,873; coastwise, 2,800.

Wilmington—Steady, 8⅝; net receipts, 5,303; gross receipts, 5,303; stock, 24,010; constwise, 15.

Norfolk—Steady, 9⅛; net receipts, 9,485; gross receipts, 9,485; sales, 1,843; stock, 67,433; constwise, 7,025.

Baltimore—Nominal, 9¼; stock, 5,667; continent, 1,099.

New York—Quiet, 9.50; gross receipts, 17,057; sales, 2,400; stock, 130,334; Great Britain, 4,788; France, 7,093.

Boston—Quiet, 9.50; net receipts, 380; gross receipts, 5,367; stock, 14,123; Great Britain, 600.

Philadelphia—Quiet, 9.75; gross receipts, 850; stock, 4,659.

Brunswick—Stock, 9,953.

Gulfport—Stock, 16,342.

Texas City—Net receipts, 3,081; gross receipts, 3,081; stock, 9,046.

Jacksonville — Net receipts, 209; gross receipts, 209; constwise, 209.

Port Townsend—Net receipts, 17,390; gross receipts, 17,390; Japan, 17,390.

Total today, at all ports—Net, 19,324; Great Britain, 15,026; continent, 5,887; Japan, 17,390; stock, 1,581,024.

Consolidated, at all ports—Net, 248,928; Great Britain, 56,244; France, 9,157; continent, 58,031; Japan, 29,646.

Total since Sept. 1, at all ports—Net, 6,571,036; Great Britain, 1,974,969; France, 555,174; continent, 1,843,256; Japan, 143,657; Mexico, 3,235.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Steady, 9¼; net receipts, 23,202; gross receipts, 23,202; shipments, 23,201; sales, 1,862; stock, 179,456.

Augusta—Steady, 9⅛; net receipts, 3,074; gross receipts, 3,657; shipments, 2,112; sales, 2,802; stock, 85,758.

Memphis—Firm, 9⅝; net receipts, 3,197; gross receipts, 4,365; shipments, 4,513; sales, 4,000; stock, 200,932.

St. Louis—Dull, 9⅜; net receipts, 756; gross receipts, 4,771; shipments, 4,847; stock, 25,089.

Cincinnati—Net receipts, 717; gross receipts, 171; shipments, 489; stock, 11,856.

Little Rock—Quiet, 9; net receipts, 2,156; gross receipts, 2,156; shipments, 2,464; stock, 43,078.

Louisville—Firm, 9⅜.

Total today—Net receipts, 33,162; gross receipts, 38,928; shipments, 37,629; sales, 8,664; stock, 546,769.

MONEY MARKET.

New York, Dec. 19.—Money on call, steady at 3½@3¾; ruling rate, 3¾; closing bid, 3½; offered at 3¾. Time loans, steady; sixty days and ninety days, 4@4¼ per cent; six months, 3¾.

Prime mercantile paper, 4¼@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange, firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.83@25 for sixty-day bills, and at 4.86@50 for demand. Commercial bills, 4.82. Bar silver, 54⅝. Mexican dollars, 46.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 19.—The cotton goods markets are showing a better undertone. Small orders for prints, staple ginghams, colored cottons and bleached domestics are coming in steadily in the mails. An advance of 2¼ cents a yard has been announced in leading staples in men's wear for spring delivery. Yarns rule quiet, with some large contracts being figured on.

Ends Winter's Troubles.

To many, Winter is a season of trouble. The frost-bitten toes and fingers, chapped hands and lips, chilblains, cold-stores, red and rough skins, prove this. But such troubles fly before Bucklen's Arnica Salve. A trial convinces. Greatest healer of burns, boils, piles, cuts, sores, bruises, eczema and sprains. Only 25c at R. R. Bellamy.

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MARINE.

Arrived.

Str. Duplin, Stokes, Smith's Bridge, J. W. Brooks.

Str. City of Fayetteville, Core, Fayetteville, S. M. King.

Schr. Bayard Hopkins, 212 tons, Hopkins, Philadelphia, C. D. Mafflitt.

Schr. Sylvia C. Hall, 285 tons, Sprague, New York, C. D. Mafflitt.

S. O. barge No. 57, under tow tug Standard, Standard Oil Co.

Cleared.

Str. Duplin, Stokes, Smith's Bridge, J. W. Brooks.

Str. City of Fayetteville, Core, Fayetteville, S. M. King.

Schr. Barge Potomac, 773 tons, Fisher, under tow tug Margaret, Wiggins, S. C., C. D. Mafflitt.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Belle Isle (Fr.), 1,382 tons, St. Martan, C. D. Mafflitt.

Bengrove (Br.), 2,389 tons, Barber, Heide & Co.

Appenine (Br.), 2,306 tons, Evans, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Lovland (Nor.), 1,463 tons, Terjesen, Heide & Co.

Glenmay (Br.), 1,575 tons, Richards, Heide & Co.

Schooners.

Bayard Hopkins, 212 tons, Hopkins, C. D. Mafflitt.

Sylvia C. Hall, 285 tons, Sprague, C. D. Mafflitt.

Edward R. Baird, Jr., 263 tons, Calhoun, C. D. Mafflitt.

John W. Hall, 329 tons, Bennett, J. S. Williams.

Granville R. Bacon, 339 tons, Bennett, C. D. Mafflitt.

White Wings, 624 tons, Coombs, C. D. Mafflitt.

Augustus H. Babcock, 1,229 tons, Quinlin, C. D. Mafflitt.

Herbert May, 321 tons, Black, C. D. Mafflitt.

Stephen G. Loud, 40 tons, Hart, C. D. Mafflitt; in distress.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at Port of Wilmington.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 19, 1911.

Atlantic Coast Line—4,227 bales cotton; 3 casks spirits turpentine; 25 barrels rosin; 46 barrels tar; 67 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—1,076 bales cotton.

Sharpie Leo—11 casks spirits turpentine; 44 barrels rosin; 18 barrels tar.

Schr. Geo. Slover—5 casks spirits turpentine; 57 barrels rosin.

Total—5,303 bales cotton; 19 casks spirits turpentine; 126 barrels rosin; 64 barrels tar; 67 barrels crude turpentine.

Total last year—5,113 bales cotton; 15 casks crude turpentine; 93 barrels rosin; 149 barrels tar; 35 barrels crude turpentine.

NEW YORK PRODUCE.

New York, Dec. 19.—Flour was firm, with a fair trade.

Rye Flour—Steady.

Corn Meal—Steady.

Barley—Steady.

Rye—Firm.

Buckwheat Flour—Quiet.

Wheat—Spot, easy; No. 2, red, 97, elevator, export basis, and 99¼ f.o.b. afloat. Options closed ⅛c. net lower. May, 1.04.

Corn—Barely steady. Export, new, 70@70⅝, f.o.b. afloat. Options, nominal.

Oats—Steady. Options, nominal.

Pork—Steady.

Oatmeal—Steady. Options, nominal.

Beef—Firm.

Petroleum—Steady.

Molasses—Steady.

Wool—Quiet.

Rice—Firm.

Sugar—Raw, barely steady. Refined, steady.

Coffee—Futures closed steady, unchanged to 8 points lower. Spot quiet; Rio, No. 7, 14¾@14½; Santos, No. 4, 14¾; mild, dull; Cordova, 16½@18½, nominal.

Butter—Firm.

Cheese—Steady.

Eggs—Firm.

Potatoes—Steady and unchanged.

Cabbage—Steady and unchanged.

Freights—Unchanged.

Peanuts—Unchanged.

Cotton Seed Oil—Generally steady, in the face of easier crude offerings, owing to local speculative buying on the strength of lard and local professional support. Closing prices were 3 points higher to 2 points lower. December, 5.33@5.35; January, 5.35@5.36; February, 5.36@5.38; March, 5.40@5.41; April, 5.43@5.66; prime crude, 4.13; sales, do. Summer yellow, 5.32@5.40; do. Winter yellow, 5.60@6.14. Prime Summer white, 5.35@5.73.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 19.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady, 48⅝ cents.

ROSIN—Steady, $6.10.

TAR—Firm at $1.80 per barrel.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Firm, $3.50 per barrel for hard; $4.50 for dip, and $4.50 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nothing doing; rosin, nothing doing; tar, firm, $2.60; crude turpentine, firm, at $4.50@$6.00.

Receipts:

Spirits Turpentine	19
Rosin	126
Tar	64
Crude Turpentine	67

Receipts same day last year, 15 casks spirits turpentine; 93 barrels rosin; 149 barrels tar; 35 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Steady, 8⅝.

Same day last year, nothing doing.

Receipts, 5,303 bales; same day last year, 5,113 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 16.)

CORN—Firm; .85 to .87½c. per bu.

PEAS—White, $2.50 per bu.

POTATOES—Irish potatoes, new crop, 80c. per bu.; yams, 60c. per bu.

BEEF—On foot, dull, .03@.04 per lb.

PORK—7c. to 9c.

WOOL—Burry, .11@.12c. per lb.; free of burr, 17 to 18 per lb.

HIDES—Green, .08 to .08½ per lb.; dry, 14 to 15c. per lb.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, old, 20c. per lb.; sides and shoulders, 14c. per lb.

BEESWAX—Firm; 27 per lb.

TALLOW—Firm; .04½@.05 per lb.

POULTRY — Turkeys, 18c. on foot. Chickens, grown, 40 to 45 per head; chickens, spring, 20@40c. per head. Geese, 65 to 70c. per head.

SHEEP—No sales.

EGGS—Fair demand, 24@25 per doz.

LIVERPOOL COTTON.

Liverpool, Dec. 19.—Spot in fair demand, prices 3 points higher. American middling fair, 5.69; good middling, 5.31; middling, 5.05; low middling, 4.94; good ordinary, 4.73; ordinary, 4.53.

The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export, and included 7,300 American. Receipts, 24,400, all American.

Futures opened quiet and closed steady. Dec., 4.91; Dec. and Jan., 4.89½; Jan. and Feb., 4.50; Feb. and Mar., 4.91; Mar. and Apr., 4.92; Apr. and May, 4.94½; May and June, 4.96½; June and July, 4.99; July and Aug., 5.01; Aug. and Sept., 5.01½; Sept. and Oct., 5.02; Oct. and Nov., 5.02½.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 9.

Spanish—Quiet, at 80c. per bush.

Virginias—Firm. Jumbo, 4c per lb. Fancy hand-picked, 3½ to 3¾c. per lb.; Extra prime, 3½ to 3⅝c. per lb.; Prime, 3c.; Machine picked, 3 to 3¼c. per lb.

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RESIST STOCK DEPRESSION

Wabash Receivership Helped Bears. Bearish Efforts, However, Were Subdued by Decree of Strength.

New York, Dec. 19.—Stubborn resistence was offered in the stock market today to a renewal of the attack which depressed prices yesterday. The bears had the Wabash receivership to help them. They were influenced as well by the large amount of profit taking yesterday, which to one way of thinking indicated that the effect of last week's especially favorable development had worn off. But the market possessed a degree of underlying strength which put to naught the efforts of the bears, the chief result of whose activities was to increase the size of the short interest. Prices fell off at the opening, but declines among the standard issues were small. In the last half of the day there was a creeping recovery and toward the close a spirited buying movement elevated some of the speculative favorites a point or more above the previous day's final prices.

Interest centered in the course of the Wabash securities at the opening. There was no excited trading in these issues. The decline of the common and preferred stock and the 4 per cent. bonds ranged between one and two points. The common stock touched 5¾, the lowest price since 1907, and the preferred 14½, the lowest in three years. The bonds fell to 50. The statement that arrangements had been made for payment of the interest on the bonds on January 1 led to heavy buying of these securities, which rose to 53½, a gain of 2½ on the day. Both classes of the stock made partial recoveries. United States Steel after remaining quiet yesterday, resumed its advance today and touched 69¾, an overnight gain of 1½, and the highest price since September. Lehigh Valley's recent advance to the accompaniment of reports of a possible extra distribution to stockholders was halted. The stock was sold heavily and lost nearly a point. A number of specialties, including the Fertilizer shares, International Harvester, National Biscuit, American Beet Sugar and some of the Independent Steel Companies made good gains.

Business was active and broad in the bond market. Price movements were mixed. Total sales, par value, $4,525,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call. Total sales, 391,200 shares.

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers, pfd	7½
Amalgamated Copper	65¼
American Agricultural	62½
American Beet Sugar	56⅜
American Can	10½
American Car and Foundry	54⅞
American Cotton Oil	46⅛
American Hide and Leather, pfd	20
American Ice Securities	18½
American Linseed	9
American Locomotive	36½
American Smelting and Refining	73½
American Smelting and Refining, pfd	101⅞
American Steel Foundries	33¼
American Sugar Refining	115
American Tel and Tel	135½
American Tobacco, pfd	103½
American Woolen	25½
Anaconda Mining Co	38½
Atchison	106¼
Atchison, pfd	103⅞
Atlantic Coast Line	135
Baltimore and Ohio	103⅝
Bethlehem Steel	30¼
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	77
Canadian Pacific	241⅝
Central Leather	29⅝
Central Leather, pfd	90¾
Central of New Jersey	305
Chesapeake and Ohio	74
Chicago and Alton	18
Chicago Great Western	10¼
Chicago Great Western, pfd	36½
Chicago and North Western	143
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	111
C., C., C. and St. Louis	50½
Colorado Fuel and Iron	27½
Colorado and Southern	47
Consolidated Gas	138⅜
Corn Products	10½
Delaware and Hudson	167¼
Denver and Rio Grande	20⅝
Denver and Rio Grande, pfd	43½
Distillers' Securities	31¼
Erie	33¾
Erie, 1st pfd	53
Erie, 2nd pfd	43
General Electric	154½
Great Northern, pfd	128⅜
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	35¼
Illinois Central	141¼
Interborough-Met	15
Interborough-Met., pfd	48¾
Inter Harvester	110
Inter-Marine, pfd	16½
International Paper	9⅝
International Pump	33½
Iowa Central	16⅜
Kansas City Southern	28¾
Kansas City Southern, pfd	60
Laclede Gas	104½
Louisville and Nashville	157½
Minneapolis and St. Louis	31
Minn., St. P. and Sault Ste Marie	134¾
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	29½
Missouri, Kansas and Texas, pfd	62
Missouri Pacific	39⅝
National Biscuit	139¾
National Lead	54⅞
Nat Rys of Mexico, 2nd pfd	34⅝
New York Central	106⅜
New York, Ontario and Western	39¼
Norfolk and Western	108¼
Northern Pacific	118½
Pacific Mail	30½
Pennsylvania	123¾
People's Gas	103½
Pittsburg, C. C. and St. Louis	96½
Pittsburg Coal	17
Pressed Steel Car	33½
Pullman Palace Car	157
Railway Steel Spring	31¼
Reading	152⅜
Republic Steel Spring	84⅞
Rock Island Co	24⅝
Rock Island Co., pfd	45¾
St. Louis and San Fran., 2nd pfd	41
St. Louis Southwestern	31
St. Louis Southwestern, pfd	71
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	48
Southern Pacific	112½
Southern Railway	29⅞
Southern Railway, pfd	72
Tennessee Copper	37½
Texas and Pacific	22½
Toledo, St. Louis and Western, pfd	35
Union Pacific	173½
Union Pacific, pfd	93
United States Realty	68¼
United States Rubber	47⅝
United States Steel	68¾
United States Steel, pfd	111¾
Utah Copper	54½
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	55⅝
Wabash	6¾
Wabash, pfd	15⅜
Western Maryland	60⅝
Westinghouse Electric	68½
Western Union	80
Wheeling and Lake Erie	4⅛

NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Dec. 19.—Turpentine, firm, at 49¼@50; sales, 5,22; receipts, 867; shipments, 164; stocks, 42,413.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 2,714; receipts, 3,887; shipments, 567; stocks, 135,976. Quote: B, 6.60; D, 6.65; E, 6.70; F, G, H, 6.75; I, 6.80; K, 7.10; M, 7.20; N, 7.30; W G, 7.50; W W, 7.75.

New York, Dec. 19.—Rosin and turpentine, steady.

Charleston, Dec. 19.—Turpentine, firm, at 49¾.

Rosin—Firm. Quote: B, 6.70@6.80; D, 8.77½; E, 6.60@6.80; F, G, H, 6.65@6.90; I, 6.70@6.87½; K, 7.10; M, 7.25; N, 7.30; W G, 7.50; W W, 7.75.

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THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau.

December 20, 1911.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 34 degrees; at 8 P. M., 38 degrees; maximum, 45 degrees; minimum, 33 degrees; mean, 39 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; for the month, 1.34 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 17.3 feet.

STORM WARNING.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 19.—Hoist northeast storm warning 10 P. M. Storm over west Gulf of Mexico, moving east. Brisk to high northeast winds Wednesday. Warnings ordered Fort Monroe to Cedar Keys, except extreme south Florida coast.

MOORE.

Weather Forecast.

For North Crolina—Cloudiness Wednesday, with brisk to high northeast winds; rain, at night and Thursday; colder in west.

Port Calendar—Dec. 20.

Sun rises	7:13 A. M.
Sun sets	5:06 P. M.
Day's length	9 hrs. 53 min.
High water at Southport	8:20 P. M.
High water at Wilmington	11:30 P. M.

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

December 19, 1911.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest Today	Temperature: Lowest Last Night.	24-Hour Precipitation 8 P. M.
Abilene	clear	48	—	.92
Asheville	clear	44	26	.0
Atlanta	cloudy	46	36	.0
Augusta	cloudy	58	38	.0
Birmingham	pt cldy	48	38	.0
Boston	clear	36	26	.0
Charleston	cloudy	50	42	.0
Charlotte	pt cldy	42	32	.0
Chicago	clear	38	28	.0
Galveston	raining	60	54	1.26
Jacksonville	cloudy	64	54	.0
Memphis	cloudy	52	—	.0
Mobile	raining	54	48	.74
Montgomery	cloudy	52	44	.0
New Orleans	raining	54	48	.76
New York	clear	36	30	.0
Palestine	raining	50	46	1.36
Oklahoma	raining	40	38	.40
Pittsburg	cloudy	34	28	.0
Raleigh	clear	42	30	.0
Savannah	cloudy	52	44	.0
Shreveport	raining	52	44	.12
St. Louis	clear	42	30	.0
St. Louis	clear	42	30	.0
Washington	clear	40	32	.0

CHICAGO GRAIN.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Despite the bullish nature of the government crop report, the wheat market today closed weak. Misleading reports as to a break in prices at Buenos Ayres had much to do with the setback. Latest trading here varied from ¼c. higher to ¼@⅜c. down, as compared with 24 hours before. Corn finished ⅛ to ¼ lower. Oats, off ⅝ to ½, and hog products at an advance of 12½@20.

Wheat—No. 2, red, 96¾@98; No. 3, red, 94@96; No. 2, hard, 98@1.02; No. 3, hard, 94@1.08; No. 3, northern, 1.02@1.07; No. 2, Spring, 98@1.05; No. 3, Spring, 98@1.04; No. 4, Spring, 90@1.03; velvet chaff, 90@1.05; durum, 90@1.05.

Corn—No. 2, old, 70; No. 3, 61½@61¾; No. 3, white, 61½@62; No. 3, yellow, 61¾@62¼; No. 4, 59@60; No. 4, white, 59@60; No. 4, yellow, 59@60.

Oats—No. 2, 46¾@47; No. 2, white, 48¼@49; No. 3, white, 47@47¾; No. 4, white, 47@47½; standard, 47½@48⅜.

Wheat:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec	95⅜	96	95¼	95½
May	99⅝	1.00⅝	99¼	99⅝
July	95¼	95⅝	95	95¼
Corn:				
Dec	63½	63⅝	63⅜	63⅜
May	65⅛	65⅜	64½	64⅝
July	64⅞	65	64½	64⅝
Oats:				
Dec	46⅜	46⅞	46⅜	46⅞
May	48⅞	48⅞	48¼	48½
July	45⅜	45⅝	45	45⅜
Mess Pork, per bbl.:				
Jan	17.35	17.60	17.42½	17.55½
May	15.95	16.10	15.90	16.05
July	16.12½	16.20	16.12½	16.20
Lard, per 100 lbs.:				
Jan	9.12½	9.25	9.10	9.22½
May	9.37½	9.47½	9.37½	9.45
July	9.52½	9.57½	9.52½	9.57½
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.:				
Jan	8.22½	8.37½	8.22½	8.37½
May	8.52½	8.65	8.52½	8.65
July	8.62½	8.70	8.62½	8.67½

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 16.

North Carolinas, strong. Virginias, and Spanish, quiet and steady.

North Carolinas—Farmers' stock: Prime hand-picked, $1.25; machine-picked, $1.20.

Spanish—Prime hand-picked, 95c.; machine-picked, 90c.

Virginia—Prime hand-picked, 75c.; machine-picked, 70c.

FIRE IN CHICAGO HOTEL.

Nearly a Thousand Guests Thrown Into Panic at Early Hour.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Nearly 1,000 hotel guests were routed in panic early today by a fire which totally destroyed the Open Board of Trade building, a five-story landmark, at 323 South LaSalle street.

Within 15 minutes after the first alarm was sounded at 2:30 o'clock, the flames had the building at their mercy. The roof fell in a few minutes after the arrival of the first fire companies.

Three furnace stokers who were in the basement are missing and it is not known if they are safe.

Alarm was immediately felt for the guests in the Kaiserhof, New Victoria and Stafford hotels, all of which were near enough to be touched by the flames from the burning structure.

Bell boys, elevator men and city firemen did heroic work in the hotels. Every room was visited in the hostelries and the guests awakened. The sight of the flames threw men and women into panic and there was a hurried scramble for clothing and valuables.

Scores of persons appeared half clad in the hotel lobbies and many dragged trunks or carried suit cases. Although the window sashes of the Kaiserhof were burning on the three upper floors at one time, a steady play of water on the building always kept it out of danger. No person was injured in any of the hotels.

Directly across from the Open Board of Trade in LaSalle street stands the Chicago Board of Trade and with which the Open Board has no connection.

Fire Chief Seyferlich estimated the total loss at $200,000. His only comment as to the cause was that there would be a rigid investigation, hinting that the fire may have been of incendiary origin.

Within the building many labor unions had their headquarters. The books and records of many of these are said to have been destroyed.

The fire was one of the most spectacular seen in downtown Chicago in months. Flames leaped more than 200 feet into the air and fire brands were carried for blocks by the wind. An hour after it started the fire was under control.

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to the Jewish outcry. The opinion expressed by members of the Douma that in all probability the Jews will now attempt to force matters further.

American business men in St. Petersburg and Moscow have been following the situation with great interest and depression prevails among them at the prospect of the loss of the market at a time when it was opening most favorably.

Formally Ratify Notification.

The Senate by a unanimous vote today formally ratified President Taft's notification to Russia of the termination of the treaty of 1832. Lodge's joint resolution reported by the foreign relations committee as a substitute for the Sulzer resolution that passed the House 300 to 1, was adopted after an all-day debate over Russian discriminations against the Jews of America. The House tomorrow is expected to agree to the Senate measure.

The resolution was adopted at 7:19 P. M. It was introduced for the committee by Mr. Lodge, of Massachusetts as the measure couched in the language most satisfactory to the Washington administration which sought to avoid giving offense to the St. Petersburg government.

The final action came after two substitutes had been voted down. It was the climax of a notable proceeding in the chamber which guards jealously its traditional powers to make and break treaties. All through the symposium of views to which many Senators contributed throughout the day, however, there were citations of historical instances of treaty terminations by executive act. The Senate was held in session until a late hour on the urgent plea of Senator Lodge that to secure action before the Christmas holiday recess on Thursday it was necessary that the Senate should act tonight.

Every Senator who spoke voiced his advocacy of Congressional action to meet the Russian discrimination. They were unanimous for the termination of the treaty, but showed a wide divergence of views as to the manner in which that end should be accomplished.

The most conspicuous opposition to the Senate resolution developed when Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, offered as a substitute a resolution eliminating the question of race as a cause for discrimination and omitting the charge that Russia had violated the terms of the treaty.

The Hitchcock substitute, however, is along the lines of the House resolution.

Those who voted in the affirmative on the Hitchcock substitute were Senators Chilton, Culberson, Hitchcock, Johnson, Kern, Lea, Martine, Myers, O'Gorman, Rayner, Smith, of Maryland; Taylor, Watson and Williams, Democrats; and Senators Clapp and Poindexter, Republicans.

Senator Newlands offered a substitute dove-tailing the Hitchcock and Lodge resolutions, but this was voted down without division. Then came the final vote on the Lodge resolution. The roll was called but there was no division. Seventy-two votes were cast and all of them were favorable to the Measure. It was therefore declared adopted and was started on its way to the House.

With the Senate's action, the Russian situation has assumed a quieter phase so far as the executive branch of the government is concerned. The officials are looking forward to the receipt from Curtis Guild, the American ambassador to St. Petersburg, of the acceptance by the Russian government of the notice given by President Taft of the desire of this government to terminate the treaty of 1832.

Press dispatches from St. Petersburg indicate that such an answer already has been handed to Mr. Guild and the contents of the Russian note, as outlined in the dispatches, are perhaps somewhat disappointing in that they convey no response to the direct statement by Secretary Knox that America stands ready to open negotiations immediately for a new treaty.

Mr. Lodge, in the Senate defended the action of President Taft in abrogating the Russian treaty without Congressional action. Six treaties, he pointed out, had been terminated by notice, the first by Polk in 1827, the treaty with Great Britain. President Pierce in 1855 terminated by notice a provision of a treaty with Denmark after the Senate had given its authority in 1855. President McKinley terminated clauses in the Swiss treaty of 1855 without any Congressional action whatever, he declared.

In four cases the President took the initiative," said Senator Lodge, "and in two cases joint action was asked. This shows the variety of precedents of action in the termination of treaty by notice."

Senator Lodge said the termination of a treaty by notice was in no sense an abrogation or a denunciation, but was in accord with the terms of the treaty itself. He argued that where no executive action had been involved in the operation of the treaty it was competent for the President and the Senate to end a treaty without the co-operation of the House.

Much attention was given by Mr. Lodge to the contention that delay would render it impossible to terminate the treaty for the next two years.

"Russia had disregarded the terms of the treaty," he said. "Article I, has been violated by Russia, while it has been observed by the United States and I think it has been violated so as to discriminate against a large element of American citizens. It is intolerable that it should continue and constitute a series of grievances that cannot be over-estimated."

The refusal of Russia to observe article I, of the treaty, he said, had put many American citizens in a humiliating position "that should no longer be submitted to." All administrations of either party had, he said, used their best efforts to obtain improved conditions, but without result. He urged the use of temperate language in discussing the situation so as not to hamper the President in his diplomatic efforts.

Senator Root concurred in the view that the existing treaty must remain unsatisfactory and injurious, but he found in the first article of the treaty a recognition by the United States of Russia's right to prohibit the emigration of its subjects. In fact, at that time, the United States itself had adhered to the doctrine of indefensible allegiance and in making the agreement each country had acknowledged the right of the other to control the movements of its own people. That was before the great tide of immigration to this country began, a circumstance which had caused the United States to change its attitude on the question of exportation. By statute the right of the individual to choose his own place of residence had been so explicitly recognized that it amounted almost to a repeal of the Russian treaty. Moreover, most other countries had followed the example of the great Republic.

In consequence of this revolution, he declared that the maintenance of the treaty was inconsistent with the attitude of the civilized world.

"The first and greatest reason for terminating the treaty is that we may set ourselves right with ourselves," he said, "and I think that the time has come when consistency with regard to our own principles requires us to give the notice of termination provided for by the treaty itself."

"How does the Senate reconcile the declaration of the natural and political rights of expatriation with our Chinese policy?" asked Senator Bailey abruptly breaking into the New York Senator's speech.

Mr. Root pointed to the statute of 1868 declaring the right of expatriation which was, he said, the final and authoritative pronouncement on that point. He admonished caution in this proceeding with Russia.

"It behooves us to act conservatively and cautiously in the official use of language about this treaty lest we find ourselves betrayed into assertions which may come back to plague us," he said. He referred to the fact that Russia had many millions of Mongolian subjects which he said the United States would not admit, treaty or no treaty.

Senator Stone, of Missouri, a member of the committee on foreign relations and a Democrat, criticised the course advised by the President in terminating the treaty. Regarding treaties as part of the supreme law of the land, he considered an act of Congress necessary to put an end to the operation of one of them. He sustained the action of the committee, however, in supporting the President in his notification to Russia and dropped a word of counsel to his party. Declaring himself to be an extreme partisan, he said:

"In dealing with an international question like this the best politics we can play is to act on a high plane with an eye single to the general welfare. The Democratic party has a good chance to come into its own. On trial, let us therefore do nothing to impair confidence in our dignity and in our ability to administer the affairs of the country. Let us do nothing to justify a charge that we ourselves are playing politics." He characterized the House resolution as "curt; drastic and rasping and defended the Senate resolution as far preferable for one thing, he considered conservative action as necessary to the protection of American citizens in Russia. He also found in the subject a possibility of endangering the open door in the Orient, where, he said, Russia's influence was second only to that of Japan.

Mr. Stone refused to accept the Russian view of expatriation and said that on the question of passports the United States had acute ground for grievance. Admitting Russia's right to regulate her own citizenship, he contended for the right of all American citizens to go to Russia to engage in business. "Russia has no right to divide us into classes," he said

"The first real note of opposition to the Senate resolution was sounded when Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, took the floor in support of his own modification of the House resolution. He contended for a more vigorous declaration than that contained in the Senate substitute. Referring to the prolonged efforts of Congress to procure a modification of conditions he declared that the attempts of the legislative branch "had not found a proper response from the White House or the State Department."

"Now, however, that abrogation has been forced on the administration by popular opinion," he said, "it should not be accepted by meaningless jangle of glittering generalities but in plain language that all may understand. I do not believe in insulting Russia, but I do not believe we should be afraid to put our notice in unmistakable language."

Senator Culberson presented documents to show that the policy of excluding Jews is that of Russia as a Nation and not of individual officials only. He declared American trade with Russia to be negligible and scoffed at the idea of an offensive alliance between Russia and Japan as a result of the action of the United States. He supported Mr. Hitchcock's resolution.

Senator Poindexter advocated the use of "plain, simple, unvarnished and frank language in cataloguing American wrongs at the hands of Russia.

Referring to his maiden speech, Mr. O'Gorman, of New York, characterized Russia's crimination against some American citizens as intolerable. He opposed the Senate resolution and supported the Hitchcock substitute.

In a brief address Senator Cullom, chairman of the committee on foreign relations, tersely advocated speedy action on the resolution. He declared that he had found it impossible to get the treaty abrogated by diplomacy, and added that "it is high time that we should act."

House Will Accept Resolution.

Representative Sulzer, chairman of the House committee on foreign affairs and author of the House resolution, tonight prophecied that the House would accept the Senate resolution.

"If I am any judge," he said, "the House will agree with the Senate and then the whole matter will become history. The President followed the House and ignored the Senate and today the Senate followed the House and ignored the President, but that is all over now and the treaty is ended. Now for a new treaty that will be up-to-date and in harmony with the spirit of the times."

Lorimer Committee Adjourned.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The Senate committee which is investigating the election of Senator Lorimer today adjourned to meet again January 8th, when Mr. Lorimer will take the witness chair and testify in his own defense for the first time under oath. It is probable that no other witnesses will be called.

Leslie J. Taylor, of Taylorsville, Ill., told the committee today of an alleged conversation he had in 1909 with D. D. Brownback, a Republican member of the Illinois Legislature who voted for Lorimer. Brownback has told the committee that he did not know Taylor and had never spoken to him. Taylor told the committee that Brownback told him he was ashamed to say how much money he had spent to be elected to the Legislature "and that he intended to get it back."

"He told me that I would see that when a Senator was elected, he (Brownback) had voted for the right man and that he would get his."

Taylor said Brownback had talked about changing the judicial district in Macon county, Ill., and said it "could be done for $600."

Brownback is now in business in East St. Louis, Ill., and swore to the committee last week that he would not know Taylor if he saw him.

The committee will recall Brownback to confront Taylor, whose testimony caused something of a sensation.

Address on Trust Problem

Washington, Dec. 19.—The universal establishment of righteousness, the square deal, the golden rule, and the principles and teachings of the kingdom of God, should be the recognized basis for the foundation of all business, according to R. L. Kimbrough, of Harrisburg, Pa., who addressed the Senate Committee on inter-State commerce today on the "trust problem." The committee adjourned today until January 5th, 1912, when it will resume its inquiry.

Investigating Committee Adjourns.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The House "Steel Trust" investigating committee adjourned today until after the Christmas holiday recess of Congress, when its inquiry into the United States Steel Corporation affairs will be resumed. John G. Brown, of Chicago, formerly interested in Minnesota ore properties, was asked regarding special rebates to the Oliver Iron Mining Company, which later became a part of the United States Steel Corporation. He had no actual evidence, however, of such rebates.

Employes' Liability Commission

Washington, Dec. 19 —The Senate today adopted a bill extending until March 1st the time when the Employes' Liability Commission have for completing its work. The work of formulating a womans' compensation was found more arduous than had been expected. Concurrence of the House is necessary to make the bill effective.

TAFT AT NEW YORK

Completed Three Speaking Engagements Last Night

New York, Dec. 19.—President Taft completed here tonight three speaking engagements in which he touched on peace, politics and puritanism. His political speech was made before the Young Mens' Republican Club, of Brooklyn, where he declared that although there came times, when the old party seems a little weak and staggers frob blows received from the inside and out, its principles are strong enough when the issue is drawn to carry on the government.

The President's peace speech was made before the Economic Club where he spoke in defense of the pending arbitration treaties. He next spoke at a dinner of the New England Society of Brooklyn, before whom he talked in a humorous vein on his puritan ancestry.

Until he reached Brooklyn the President of the United States had no municipal police protection with the exception of two bicycle policemen who did not join the Presidential party until it had left the residence of Henry W. Taft, the President's brother, where he is stopping during his two days' visit in New York. The President's customary escort in this city is ten policemen. There was not even a detail of police at the Hotel Astor where the Economic Club dinners held forth, but this was remedied when the President arrived at the two Brooklyn dinners some one having assingend a considerable squad to duty there.

Special interest attached to the President's speech before the Young Mens' Republican Club owing to the organization's recent repudiation of the New Yorw leadership of William Barnes, Jr., but no reference by the President to the situation was made.

The President referred to his party's seeming a "little weak" at the outset of his remarks.

"The Republican party has shown itself able, and will show itself able," continued the President, "to meet the responsibilities thrust upon it. The American people are not going to reject it for something sou ncertain, so untried and divergent in its views as those trying to wrest power from it.

The President referred to the policy of protection, which, he said should not be exorbitant or unreasonable, "but enough to enable our industries to compete with the industries of other countries and enough to measure the difference between wages ad abroad and the wage we want to pay people on this side of the ocean.

"I am not in favor of playing politics for the purpose of putting somebody or some party in a hole," he concluded, with emphasis; "I am in favor of adopting a policy, not to attract voters but for the purpose of putting that policy on the statutes and enforcing them for the benefit of the country. I do not believe in statesmen or platform purposes, but in statesmen who will put a policy through will do something for the country, not in those who keep saying they are going to do it."

"We have a Democratic House and a nominally Republican Senate and I hope I am a Republican executive. I hope we will manage to get some good laws passed, but if not we will have to join issue with the other party and ask the people to allow us to show that we still have the capacity to do the best tnere is for the country."

Congressman Frank B. Willis, of Ohio, who preceded the President as a speaker, said that he brought a message from the people of Ohio that they would stand shoulder to shoulder for the nomination of the President for a second term. This was greeted with applause.

Police Commissioner Waldo late tonight said:,

"President Taft got the usual police protection. There were two motorcycle policemen assigned to be with him, and a number of pali nclothes policemen and detectives were assigned to be in the station to meet him. The plain clothes men probably were not readily recognized and that may account for the impression that the President had not been given ample protection."

Fire Works, Fire Works. A carload, they must be sold, our prices are right. Farris Bakery, 121 So. Front. Also ca[illegible]nex, 131 Market. de 18-6t

Indianapolis, Dec. 19.—Ray Bronson, claimant of the welterweight title, will meet Tommy Devlin, of Philadelphia, at Jeffersonville, Ind., on New Year's afternoon. The battle will be at 142 pounds at 10 o'clock on the morning of the fight.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Crystal Palace—Mutt & Jeff.
Tidewater Power Co.—Notice.
J. W. H. Fuchs—Christmas Shopping.
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Business Locals.

Wanted—Position.
Wanted—Salesmen.
Lost—Bunch of Keys.
Wanted—Fox Terrier.
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WANTED—Small black and tan or fox terrier puppy. "T. G.," care Star. de20-1t*

FOR CHRISTMAS—Mixed car of oranges and grape fruit just arrived. Fifteen dressed turkeys from Onslow and some turkeys on foot to be sold cheap for Christmas. The finest dressed turkeys I have ever seen, 5 to 14 pounds; peanut fattened. Send down and get them. W. P. Oldham, Dock street. de20-1t

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LOST—Between post office and Front and Dock streets, bunch of keys, five or six, and bottle opener. Finder return for reward to "R," care this office. de20-2t*

FLORIDA ORANGES—Florida oranges. We have to arrive tomorrow three hundred boxes of extra sweet oranges. As no fruit vessel will be here this season let us have your orders early. All orders for oranges will be cash on delivery for them. Winstead Produce Co., 229 North Water street. Telephone 205. de19-6t

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NOTICE—If you want to make your wife or husband smile Xmas morning, stop by D. L. T. Capps Plumbing Co.'s, No. 130 Market street, and buy a present that will please any wife or husband. D. L. T. Capps Plumbing Co., J. B. Griffith, Mgr. de15-tf

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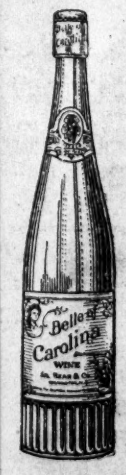

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